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CLIMBING METEOR, The Grandest of all NEW ROSES.

THIS ROSE, which we now introduce, might more properly be called a Perpetual-Blooming Climbing General Jacqueminot. Though a sport from that finest of all Hybrid Teas, Meteor, it is much larger and of a deeper, richer color, equalled only by the peerless Jacqueminot, but will produce twenty blossoms to Jacqueminot's one. It is a Rose which will make 10 to 15 feet of growth in a season and show a profusion of bloom every day. Foliage strong, healthy and luxuriant. Buds exquisite; flowers large, beautifully shaped, and of that rich, dark, velvety crimson color seen only in the Jacqueminot. Much deeper and richer than Meteor. We do not hesitate to pronounce it the finest Rose in existence for summer blooming, as it will make a large growth and is loaded with its glorious blossoms all the time. For winter blooming it has few equals in beauty, and probably none in profusion. Just the Rose to train up in a conservatory or bay-window, where its exquisite blossoms will show to wonderful advantage.

Mr. Robert George, a noted Rose-grower, who has had it under test, says of it: "We think very highly of it. It has flowered considerably, and the flowers will average much larger then Meteor and brighter in color. We consider it by far the most valuable of all the climbing sports, for it has decidedly more tendency to climb than any of that class. Should think, from the way it has grown with us, that there would be no difficulty in growing shoots in the open ground 12 to 15 feet high in a season." We are proud to add this Queen of Roses to Champion of the World, Childs' Jewel, and other remarkable Rose novelties which we have brought out. In real value and beauty, Climbing Meteor eclipses everything heretofore seen. Price of large, strong, well-rooted, healthy plants, for abundant blooming this summer, 30c. each; four for $1.00; nine for $2.00.

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OUR FALL CATALOGUE.

On the first of September we issue a Catalogue of Bulbs and Plants for fall planting and winter blooming, such as Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, Crocus, Ixias, Freesias, etc. We mail this Catalogue to all of our customers of this year, and we will also send it free to others who wish to order.

The volume of business which we do in fall bulbs is larger than the combined trade of all other catalogue houses in the country. The great superiority of the bulbs we sell has given us this enormous patronage. Our stocks are grown for us in various parts of the world which is best suited to the different kinds, and are all of a choice, select quality, greatly superior to the commercial grades.

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This premium is in addition to No. 1, but is given only to those who at the time of subscribing send TEN CENTS (to pay packing and postage) and ask for Premium No. 2, in addition to No. 1. But in Clubs of 12 or more this premium will be sent for only FIVE CENTS. It is a very choice lot of Bulbs, worth nearly a dollar, and will help you get up a big club. It is as follows:

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1 GLADIOLUS CHILDSI. Named sort. The most beautiful and charming of all flowering bulbs.

1 GLADIOLUS LEMOINEI HYBRID. Named sort, one of the charming hardy Orchid Gladiolus, exquisitely colored.

1 HYACINTHUS CANDICANS. Blooms during August, with spikes of pure white flowers two feet in length.

1 MONTBRETIA. A fine summer flowering bulb but little known, though one of the most brilliant and profuse.

We have a large stock of all the above Bulbs, undoubtedly enough, but should any become exhausted late in the season, we reserve the right to substitute others of equal value.

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ELEGANT CLUB PREMIUMS.

☞ We will give a beautiful present for every five subscribers sent us, up to 100, and by showing this offer to friends and neighbors one will find that they will nearly all be glad to subscribe. Each subscriber will get the above premiums, and for every five names, the club raiser may select one of the following offers, which will be mailed free:

1 pkt. Violet Scented Pansy, p.9.	1 Sweet Pea Shrub, p.108.
1 " Polyanthus Rose, p. 9.	25 Mixed Gladiolus, p. 4.
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1 Rose, Climbing Meteor, Cover.	1 Japan. Mayberry, p.126.
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The above articles are described on the pages indicated.

SPECIAL CASH PREMIUMS, $1,000.

☞ In addition to the above Club Premiums we will on July 1st, give the following to those who secure the most subscribers up to that time: $500 cash to the one who sends the most subscribers; $200 cash to the next; $100 cash to the next largest; $60 cash to the next; $40 cash to the next; and to the next ten largest, $10 cash each.

It will be necessary for each club raiser who competes for these cash prizes to write us some time about July 1st the exact number of subscribers they have sent in. This letter must not refer to any other subject. After comparing their statements with our tally we will award the premiums to the 15 successful ones and notify all who compete.

THE MAYFLOWER.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Editor.

The Leading Horticultural Magazine—Illustrated—Beautiful Colored Plates—More than 100 Correspondents the World Over.

THE MAYFLOWER is acknowledged to be the leading Horticultural publication of the world. Its success has been phenomenal, having reached a subscription list of over 300,000 names; and it goes monthly to every civilized country of the globe. It contains 32 pages, bound in beautiful covers. And with Colored Plates of New Flowers, Plants or Fruits, and many elegant illustrations. It is devoted to the cultivation of Flowers and Plants, Fruits, Vegetables, and to Gardening and Home Adornment in general. Each issue contains about sixty interesting and instructive articles from our staff of contributors, representing every State in the Union and nearly every country in the world.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS FOR 1896.

During the year the following serial articles will appear by special engagement:

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☞ We want one or more permanent agents in every city, town and village to take subscriptions and receive renewals. We will consider anyone who sends us a club of five or more subscribers a permanent agent, if they so desire.

The subscription price of THE MAYFLOWER, including premium, is only 50 cents per year for single subscription; 25 cents per year in clubs of five or more. Price, without premium, 25 cents per year. From all foreign countries, except Canada, one shilling (24 cents) extra must be sent to pay foreign postage. Address

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GREETINGS - - 1896.

WE extend New Year greetings to each of our customers, and hope that this Catalogue of 1896 will in some way add to their pleasure or profit.

Twenty-one years ago we issued our first annual Catalogue of Seeds, Bulbs and Plants, 750 copies. The aspirations which we then entertained, the ends we hoped to accomplish, have been realized. Most of the lovers and cultivators of flowers in the world have, ere this, planted Seeds or Bulbs from Floral Park—that little village in the midst of 200 acres of flowers which has been built up as a result of this first Catalogue, for the business then established has steadily grown until it has become the largest of its kind ever known, and against 750 Catalogues issued the first year, 1,115,000 were issued and sent out last year. The Mayflower Publishing Company, a branch of our establishment under a separate organization, publishes, besides three regular periodicals, our books and Catalogues, which work requires one of the most complete printing and publishing establishments in the country. In short, Floral Park as a whole is a typical Seed, Florist and Nursery establishment, lacking nothing to place it in touch with all the world, to produce, procure from other quarters and distribute, the finest Seeds, Bulbs, Plants and Fruits which skill can grow, and to teach people how to properly care for their plants and gardens. We endeavor to promote the success of our customers by supplying only the best stocks of the best varieties and at moderate prices, and diffusing through our Catalogues, books, and The Mayflower, reliable knowledge regarding care and cultivation. That our customers have been successful, and our efforts to deal fairly and liberally with them have been appreciated, the remarkable growth of our business indicates. This policy will be continued and broadened as opportunity permits, and we hope all our friends and customers will remember us with an order this year, large or small. If you have nothing to order, write to us. Let us hear from you, and know that you are living, and if we can in any way serve you it will be our pleasure to do so.

The Mayflower. We have reduced the price of The Mayflower to 25 cents per year in clubs of five or more, including a premium of five packets of Choice Seeds (worth 80c). For ten cents extra we send an additional premium of Seven Rare Flowering Bulbs (worth 85c.). We make this great offer to induce all who hear of it, especially our customers to become subscribers. They will learn so much from it, and have so much better success with their plants and gardens—surely a help to them, and to us, for we desire that all should have the greatest possible success with the Seeds, Bulbs, Plants or Fruits they get from Floral Park.

Childs' Giant Imperial Japanese Morning Glories.

THE GREATEST NOVELTY OF THE YEAR.

Special to Our Customers.

No flower is more universally loved and cherished than the dear old Morning Glory, and the fact that we can now offer a new strain of it, with gigantic blooms as large as Moonflowers, with colors, markings and variegations never before seen, and of indescribable beauty, will be hailed with delight, and everybody will want some of the seed, and we propose that all of our customers shall have it,—the most superb Novelty of the year.

DESCRIPTION: Like all Morning Glories, the seed germinates quickly and the vines grow rapidly and are soon in bloom, often before they reach a height of two feet. The flowers are borne by the hundreds, are of enormous size, like great Moonflowers, five or six inches across, and of the most delicate, vivid and blending colors to be seen in any flower. Some will be pure white, others crimson, brick-red, light and dark blues, pinks, etc., while others show a rich and varied combination of colors blended together in a most enchanting way. Spotted, blotched, striped, stained, pencilled, bordered, mottled and variegated in every conceivable manner. The colored sketch on cover of this Catalogue is but a poor representation of their real loveliness, and shows but five of the one hundred or more different colors. To add to their beauty, the leaves of many of the varieties are richly marbled and variegated white and green. Nothing among flowers can furnish a more beautiful sight than a screen, hedge or trellis of these Giant Morning Glories. To secure the beautiful varieties which we here offer, our Agent traveled in Japan from garden to garden, collecting a little seed at each one, as the best can not be bought anywhere in quantity, and is not to be compared with any Japanese Morning Glory seed which may be put upon the market. We offer both strains.

Japanese Imperial Morning Glory. Seed as imported in quantity, very fine but greatly inferior to our special strain. 15c. per packet; 3 pkts. for 35c.

Childs' Giant Imperial Japanese Morning Glory. Our special strain of grandest sizes and colors, collected by our Agent in Japan by traveling from garden to garden, specimens of which are represented on the cover of this Catalogue. 40c. per packet; 3 pkts. for $1.00; but,

FOR ONLY FIVE CENTS

we will send a packet of this seed to any and all who order anything from this Catalogue to the amount of Fifty Cents, or more. Therefore, friends, when you send in your order ask for a packet of Childs' Giant Imperial Japanese Morning Glory, and send but 5c. for it, provided the other articles you order amount to not less than 50c.

Address, **JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.**

General Instructions.

WHAT WE DO.

Free By Mail.—We send seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE BY MAIL, at the prices named in this Catalogue. This brings them to the very doors of our customers without trouble or expense.

By Express.—If a package is ordered to go by express we do not pay the charges; but somewhat larger plants, shrubs and fruits can be sent in this way, and we always add extra ones, enough to more than pay the cost. All the large express companies carry our goods at very low rates.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again. We also guarantee everything true to name.

We Pack all plants carefully in strong wooden boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest parts of the country, or abroad.

We Fill all orders as soon as received, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it booked for shipping at a later date, should state the fact.

To Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, most of the **countries of South and Central America,** and the **West India Islands,** we can send goods in large parcels by mail, postpaid. We can ship to other foreign countries by mail only in 8 or 12-ounce packages.

England, Ireland and Scotland.—We have so many customers in Great Britain that we, at frequent intervals, fill their orders and ship the parcels in bulk to our agent in Liverpool, from which point they are forwarded to their destination by rail or parcel post.

Discounts.—We make the following discount to those who will get up a club or order largely for their own use. Considering our very low prices we think them very liberal. *Please notice that these discounts cover everything offered in this Catalogue, and not merely seeds by the packet.*

Those sending	$1.00	can select articles amounting to		$1.10
"	2.00	"	"	2.25
"	4.00	"	"	4.60
"	5.00	"	"	5.75
"	6.00	"	"	7.00
"	10.00	"	"	12.00
"	25.00	"	"	30.00
"	50.00	"	"	62.00
"	100.00	"	"	125.00

We advise the formation of large clubs, and the above discount will certainly pay any one for some trouble in that direction. See, also, our splendid premiums to MAYFLOWER clubs, on Colored Plate.

WHAT BUYERS SHOULD DO.

Forward Money with the order, and at our risk, when sent by post-office money order on Floral Park; greenbacks or gold or silver coin, by registered letter; bank draft or express company's money order.

Stamps.—Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods if it can be avoided. Letters often get damp in transit, causing stamps when enclosed to stick together, and to the order, frequently resulting in the destruction of both. We shall return such as come in bad order, and we must deny discounts and extras to orders which are paid for in stamps.

Silver or Gold coin when sent in letters should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper or cloth to prevent its breaking through the envelope, which is frequently the case when enclosed loose.

Be Sure to write your name and address plainly. We have on our hands hundreds of orders of last year without names, others without post-office or State, and some with the name or post-office written in such a careless or illegible manner that it is impossible to read them. Keep a correct copy of your order, that you may know when the package arrives if all is correct, as people often forget what they ordered, and complain without cause.

Please Write your order plainly and distinctly by itself, and not mix it up with anything else you may wish to say.

Those Who Send a neat, plainly written order will be sure to have it filled correctly and with despatch, and will also receive some valuable "extras." Always carry out the price of each article, and, after adding the amounts together and deducting the discount, remit the exact sum.

Order Early.—We strive to fill all orders within a day or two after they reach us, but this is frequently made impossible by a great rush of business about planting time. Do not wait until you need your seeds and bulbs before ordering. Anticipate planting time by getting your orders in early.

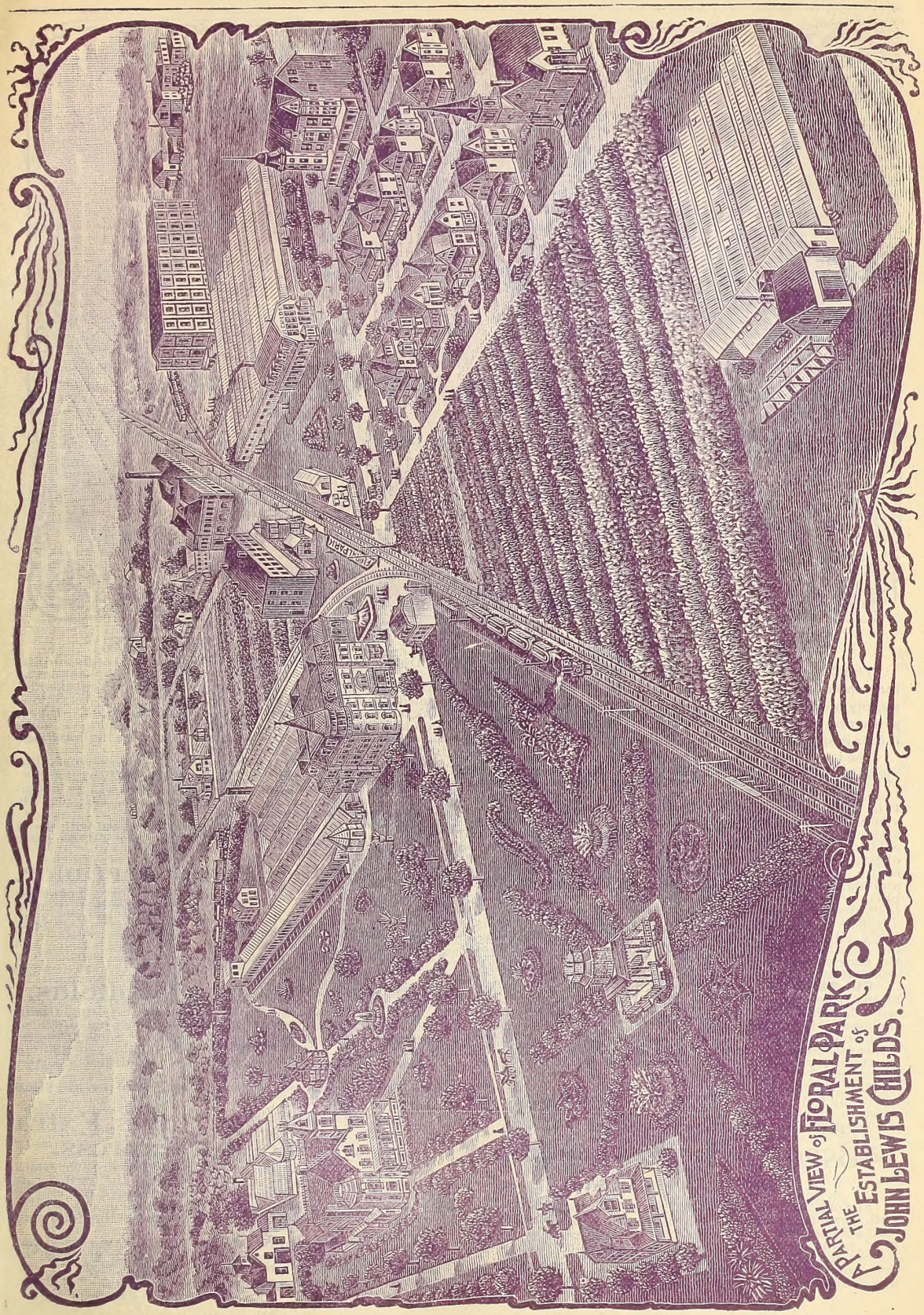
Important.—It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent, and the amount of money enclosed, and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter and fill the duplicate order with despatch. *No inquiries will receive attention which do not contain duplicate, etc., as here mentioned.*

Floral Park--Our Establishment.

On the opposite page will be seen a bird's eye view of that portion of Floral Park which lies in the immediate vicinity of our seed store, greenhouses, bulb-house, printing establishment, etc. Of course, only a very small part of our 200 acres of flowers is represented in this picture. Floral Park is situated on Long Island, about twelve miles from the cities of Brooklyn and New York, on the line of the Long Island Railroad, which runs directly through our premises—our grounds bordering upon it for a distance of more than a mile, and presenting a floral display which is unequaled on the continent. Though we cultivate 200 acres of ground here, it is not a tenth part of the acreage required to produce our entire crops, and Floral Park is really more of a trial garden than a seed farm.

Our greenhouses are in four sets, or blocks; are of large size—ranging from 100 to 200 feet in length, and 12 to 20 feet in width—and cover several acres. Our principal seed store, which is a large brick and iron fire-proof structure, was erected in 1890. It consists of four stories and basement, and is the finest seed house in America. It is fitted with every convenience for filling orders promptly and accurately. Besides this we have several other large buildings which are used for storage and for special work which the main building cannot accommodate. In all there are over twenty substantial buildings connected with our establishment. Among them is one enormous brick bulb-house containing 16,000 square feet of floor space, and filled completely with Gladiolus and other Bulbs. The printing house is a large brick building, 150 feet in length, separated from all others. In this is located a powerful steam engine and an electric light dynamo. The finest presses and other machinery known are used for turning out the large edition of THE MAYFLOWER and our job work of various kinds. Our Catalogues are also printed and bound here, and the issue last year was 1,115,000, which is the largest catalogue job executed in the world. The entire contents of our Catalogues, (type matter and cuts,) is copyrighted, all being original with us. We publish and sell, at 10 cents per copy, an album of Floral Park views, showing 25 half-tone photographic views of our establishment, grounds, buildings, etc.

Our registered trade-mark is here shown. Through our Catalogues we attach it to varieties of seeds, bulbs or plants which were named and introduced by us, and wherever it is seen one may feel sure that it indicates great merit.



A PARTIAL VIEW of FLORAL PARK
THE ESTABLISHMENT of
JOHN LEWIS CHILDS.

The Gladiolus.

The Gladiolus is our leading specialty, and our collection is the largest and finest in the world—in fact, we supply most of the bulbs which the world uses. We grow about 150 acres of them. Gladiolus being our leading specialty we place them first in this Catalogue.

The Gladiolus is the most satisfactory, the most desirable and the most popular of all garden bulbs. Nothing else of the kind costs so little, and nothing else grows and blooms so readily for anybody and everybody in any soil or climate. It is, in short, the most satisfactory garden flower, thriving and blooming as it does, with the least care and attention, and making a display which, for brilliancy and beauty of coloring, few bulbs can equal and none surpass. The Gladiolus is to the flower garden what bread is to man, "the staff of life." Our collection is so large that many of the finest and highest priced sorts of European Catalogues can be supplied by us by the ten thousands, and we offer them at very low prices. Not only do we grow the finest varieties of Gandevensis by the million, but also Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrids. Of these we have an immense stock and more than one hundred named sorts. But the finest of all Gladiolus is the new strain, Childsi. This novelty is of such sterling worth that it deserves more than special attention.

CULTURE.—Gladiolus are of the simplest culture. Plant at any time from April to July, in any fairly good soil, well spaded. Set in rows three inches apart, or in masses six inches apart each way. Plant in full sun, if possible, and keep down the weeds. They bloom from July to October. After fall frost, lift the bulbs and after removing the tops let them dry for two or three weeks in any airy position under cover. Then, after removing the roots, store them in a cellar, or any cool, dry place, away from frost, for planting again the following spring. We have issued a little book of 32 pages which tells all about Gladiolus and their culture. All the different species are fully described. Price, 10c.

12 Beautiful Named Gladiolus for 25 Cents.

For only 25c. we will send 12 fine named Gladiolus, each bulb correctly labeled, all neatly boxed, by mail, post-paid. This collection will include very fine varieties (of our selection), covering the widest range of fine colors, white, pink, yellow, scarlet, blush, blotched, striped, variegated, etc., fair sized flowering bulbs, and is well worth a dollar. Every one of our customers should take this collection.

Mixed Gladiolus.

Our mixed Gladiolus are not the poor dull colors, old discarded red sorts and worthless seedlings usually sent out as Mixtures. On the contrary they are made up from splendid named sorts, brightest and most varied colors, white, yellow, pink, rose, blush, intense scarlet, carmine, violet, striped, blotched, variegated, etc. All old common and poor sorts have been discarded, and this mixture is of the highest grade to be found in this or any other country.

Mixed, all Colors, First Size. Extra large flowering bulbs, per dozen, 30c.; per 100, $2.25; per 1,000, $20.00, by mail.

Mixed, all Colors, Second Size. These are all fine blooming, young, vigorous bulbs. Per dozen, 15c.; per 100, $1.00; per 1,000, $8.00, by mail.

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These are splendid for masses of solid color and contrast magnificently.

	Per doz.	Per 100
White and **Light** varieties, mixed; superb.....	$0 30	$2 00
Scarlet and **Red.** Extra fine scarlet and red.	25	1 75
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Superb Seedling Gladiolus.

Every year we raise a million or more Seedling Gladiolus. Among these there is the greatest possible range of colors, beautiful forms and massive spikes. Some are equal to the highest priced named sorts. Should you plant a thousand of these bulbs you would see 1,000 different sorts—absolutely no two alike.

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Corsaire—Compact spike, large flowers, of a very intense dark and velvety scarlet, and tinted with brown at the edge..... 40
Delicatissime—White; suffused with soft carmine-lilac; the pure-white lower petals edged lilac..... 10
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Feu Follet—Well-opened flowers, with ivory white throat, richly tinted and striped with carmine at the edge of the sepals..... 20
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Latone—Tall and very compact spike; fine flowers or a delicate rose, with creamy-white blotch and stripes..... 15
Laura—Light orange red, tinged with carmine; pure white blotch. 5
LEANDER—Large flower of lilac color, beautifully shading off to carmine; distinct white band in each petal, and white blotch. 10
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Reine Victoria—Pure white, carmine violet blotch..... 10
Reine Blanche—Pure white, dark carmine blotch..... 5
Reverend Berkeley—Light rose and tinged with violet-carmine; feathered white blotch..... 10
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Teresita—Upper petals of pure white, suffused with rose and striped carmine at the edges; lower petals rose, largely blotched and striped with bright violet..... 20
Thalia—White, flamed and streaked with carmine..... 5
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Enfant de Nancy. Purplish red, lower petals deep crimson color and blotching entirely new.
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Nydia. Blush pink, with large orange-scarlet throat.
Obelisk. Rich solferino, deep crimson blotch, tipped yellow.
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Sweet Peas.

One of the dear old flowers that will never go out of fashion. Everyone who has a yard ought to grow quantities of this sweetest of all flowers, that is not only a beautiful low-growing vine for garden and decoration, but one of the most useful of all in furnishing material for vases, bouquets and all cut flower work. Plant quantities of these lovely flowers and cut them with a lavish hand. Their presence will bring pleasure in the sick room, adorn your friends' otherwise empty vases, and make happy the flower-hungry children, with no pretty yards and flowers of their own; for every flower you pick, two will come to fill its place. Easy to grow anywhere if sown early, very early. For the largest and finest blossoms, dig a trench six inches deep, put in two inches of rotted manure, a little earth, and sow the seeds over this three inches apart in the row, covering an inch and a half deep. Do this as early as the ground can possibly be worked in the spring, and as the plants grow, fill up the trench around them with rich earth. Such planting will produce enormous quantities of flowers of the very largest size. The following are Eckford's finest:

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Malmaison Carnation.

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Early Golden. A bright yellow Cosmos which blooms freely all summer, and does not grow so tall as the fall blooming varieties; flowers not so large or fine. Pkt., 10c.

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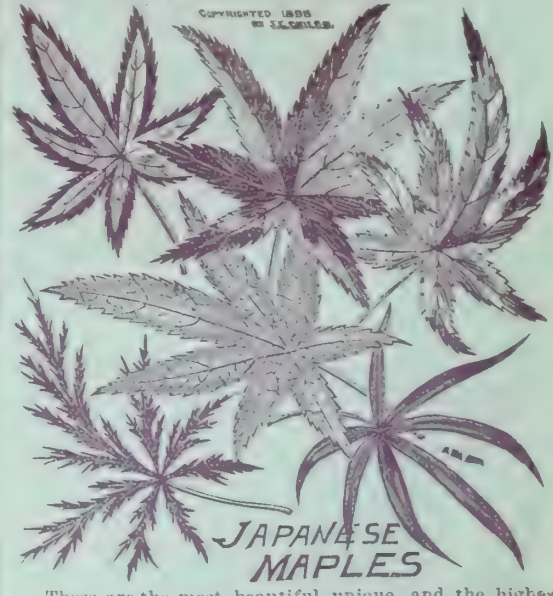

These are the most beautiful, unique, and the highest priced Ornamental Shrubs to be had, hence they are seldom seen. We have secured from Japan this year a quantity of seed saved from all the finest varieties, (of which there are hundreds,) from which our customers can grow a fine lot at little expense. When small they make most charming pot plants, the varied colors and patterns of the leaves making them highly attractive. As they get larger they may be planted permanently on the lawn as they are hardy, where they will make most beautiful objects. The leaves of the various sorts range in color from dark crimson to pink, green, white, etc., many being beautifully variegated and mottled. Besides their fine colors they are most beautifully cut and divided, as shown above. Pkt., 25c.; 3 for 60c.

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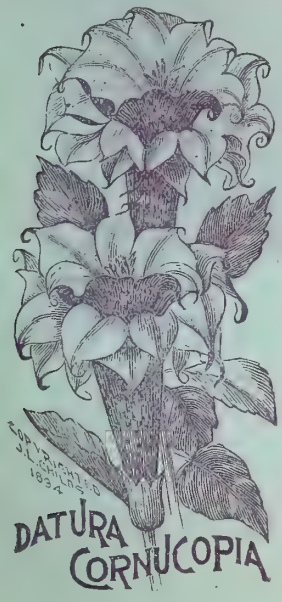
This is a hardy perennial, sending out vines which trail over the ground in a beautiful manner. It is really a beautiful miniature Trailing Hollyhock, the leaves and flowers being similar to that glorious old plant, and it has the double advantage of being a constant bloomer from early spring until late fall. The flowers are bright crimson in color and produced freely, as are also its vines and foliage. We have nothing more beautiful, especially for rock work, mounds, or nooks and corners where a trailing plant is desirable. It is exceedingly graceful, and its beautiful green foliage and bright blossoms make it very attractive during the whole season. Perfectly hardy in any situation. Blooms in ninety days from time of sowing seed, and continues all the season year after year. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.



Datura Cornucopia.

Much like the double Brugmansia offered on page 120, except it is more dwarf in habit, and a fine lilac and white color. Blooms in 2 or 3 months from seed and is a superb flower for the garden, or as a pot plant both summer and winter. Flowers like great trumpets, but quite double, and of fine fragrance. Pkt., 10c.

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CHOICE VEGETABLE NOVELTIES.

Scores of worthless Vegetable Novelties are yearly put upon the market; scores of old varieties are also re-named and offered as new or "improved." Genuine Novelties of real merit are few. Our list of New Vegetables is a small one, but every variety is honest, new and meritorious and our customers will find them to be just what we claim for them. The Honey Dew Corn, Picture Rock Tomato and Morning Star Pea are the most valuable varieties of their kind, the earliest and finest in every respect. Good varieties are as easily grown as poor ones, and to get the best returns we should plant the best varieties.

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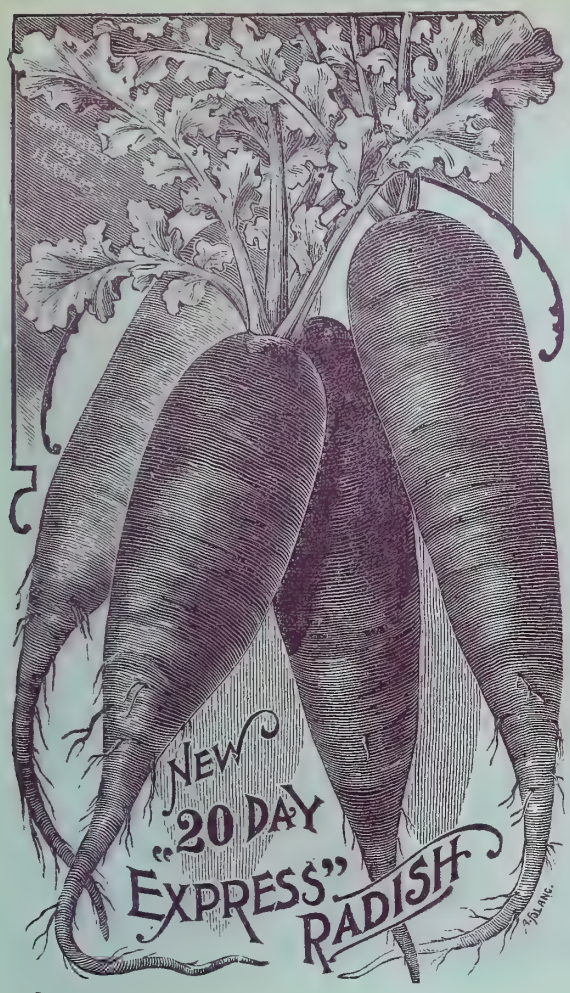
A fit companion for our Honey Dew, and with these two varieties one can wish for nothing further in the line of Sweet Corn. This is a late variety of enormous size and great beauty of ear. It is the largest and handsomest Sweet Corn grown and one of the most prolific, while its quality is equal to the old Shoe Peg variety or the Improved Ruby. Nothing further need be said. Don't neglect to plant the Honey Dew for early, and this for late. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c. By express, peck, $1.50; bushel, $5.00.



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Is fit for the table in twenty days from the time of sowing the seed, and is fully grown in twenty-five days, at which time the Radish is about one inch in diameter at the top, three inches in length, and tapering to a point. Color brightest, richest scarlet, tipped with white. Quality very mild, crisp and delicious. By far the best flavored Radish we have yet seen, and the most desirable for table use. In our estimation this is the finest, and without doubt the earliest Radish in cultivation. It seems to combine all good points—earliness, beauty, good size and superior quality. Really a great acquisition. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; lb., $5.00.

Watermelon, Duke Jones.

Briefly, this is supposed to be the largest, handsomest, most prolific, and in other respects the finest Melon grown. Will average nearly fifty pounds each by the field, while some specimens reach nearly one hundred pounds. The greatest of bearers. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 35c.; lb., $4.00.

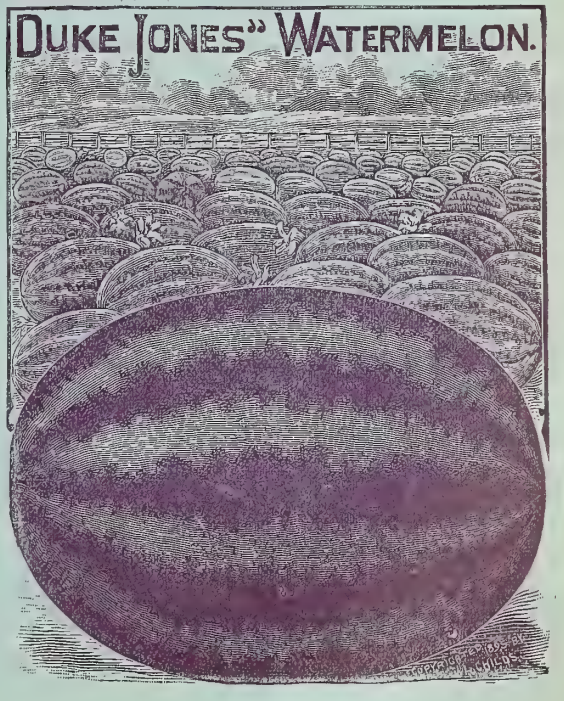
Kleckley's Sweet Watermelon.

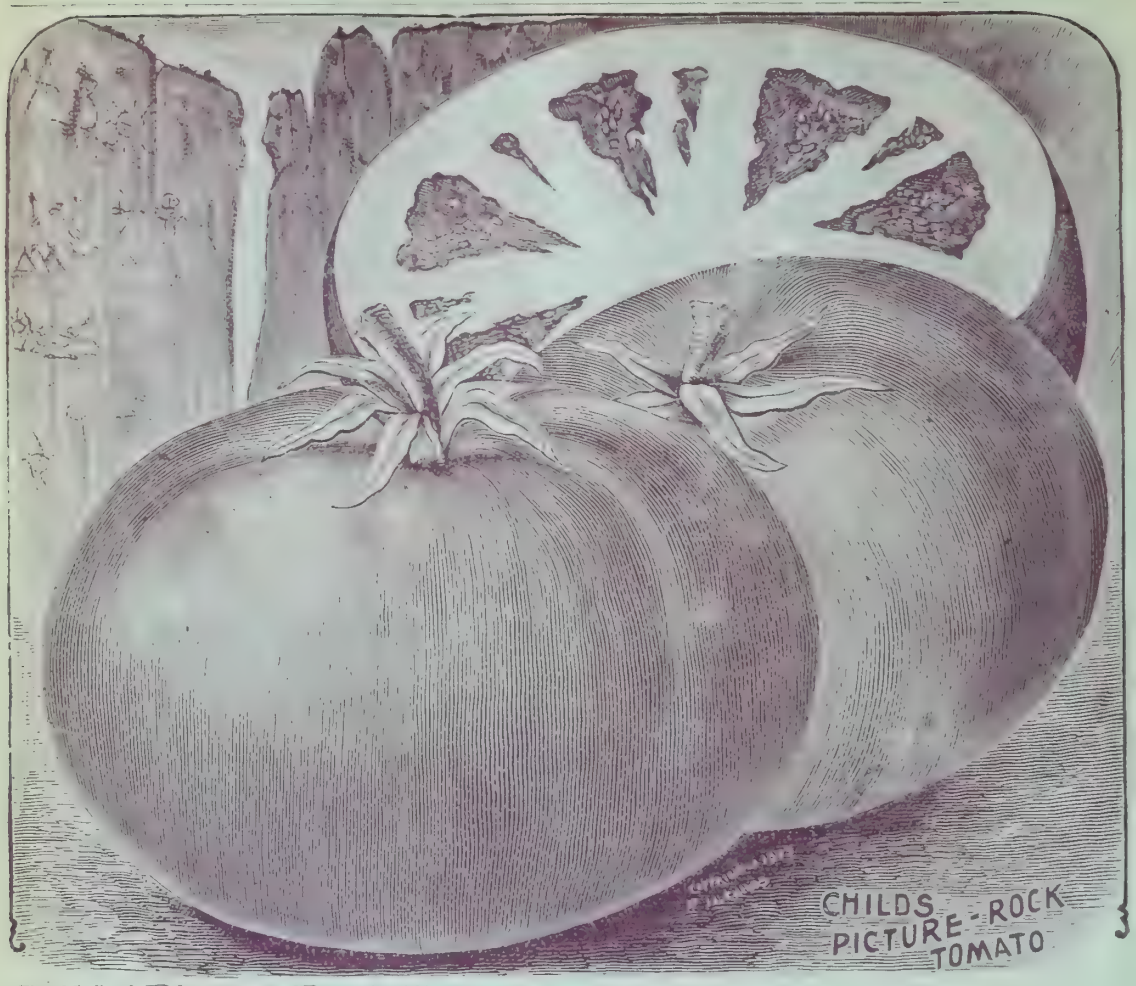
The earliest large Melon, weighing forty to sixty pounds each and ripening in about seventy days from time of planting. It is a great yielder, and in quality the sweetest, juiciest, most crisp, solid and luscious. Grows two and one-half feet in length. Brilliant red inside, dark green without. A great novelty. Pkt., 25c.; 3 for 60c.

The Lightning Bush Bean.

Of this the introducer says: "For a number of years past we have been making special trials of Beans. Two years ago we were particularly struck with a new variety that seemed to lead all others in earliness. A further trial, the past season, by the side of the other extra early varieties, fully confirmed our impressions that in this new variety we have the earliest variety known."

While not quite equaling Jack's fabulous bean stock, of the fairy tale, that grew up and blossomed in a night, it still needs to be closely watched when the beans begin to form, as a very few days from the blossom will give pods suitable for string beans. But they keep right on growing, and in a few days more the pods have toughened and not long after are fit for shelling. Besides being the earliest Bean, it is of fine quality and a great yielder. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.





Childs' Picture Rock Tomato.

The grandest Tomato ever introduced. Early, smooth, uniform, prolific, longest bearing, longest keeping, and the finest in quality. In all these essential points this Tomato is superior to any other kind. Fruit bright scarlet, of fair size, and so perfect and uniform that they look as though each one was moulded with the same stamp. On account of this perfect shape and great beauty it is unsurpassed for market. Its quality is extra fine, and it commences to ripen its fruit very early and continues in bearing until frost,—a most remarkable quality. Its keeping qualities are, however, the most wonderful. Ripe fruit picked from the vines have been kept in perfect condition from three to four weeks during warm summer weather. It originated in the Picture Rock region of Wisconsin, hence its name. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 50c.; lb., $5.00.

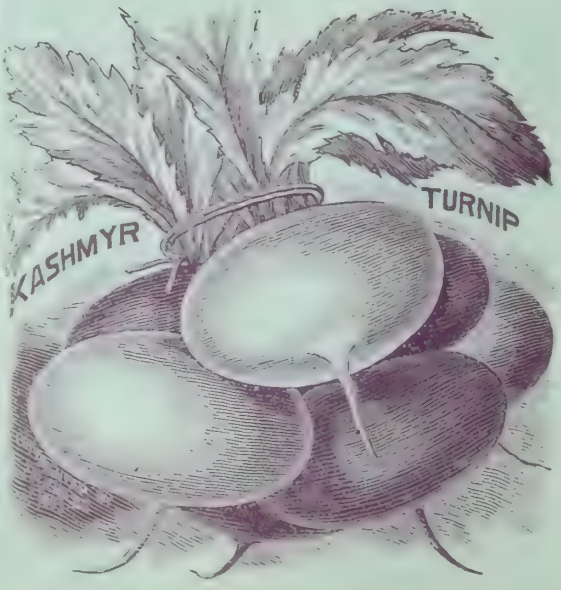
Kashmyr Turnips.

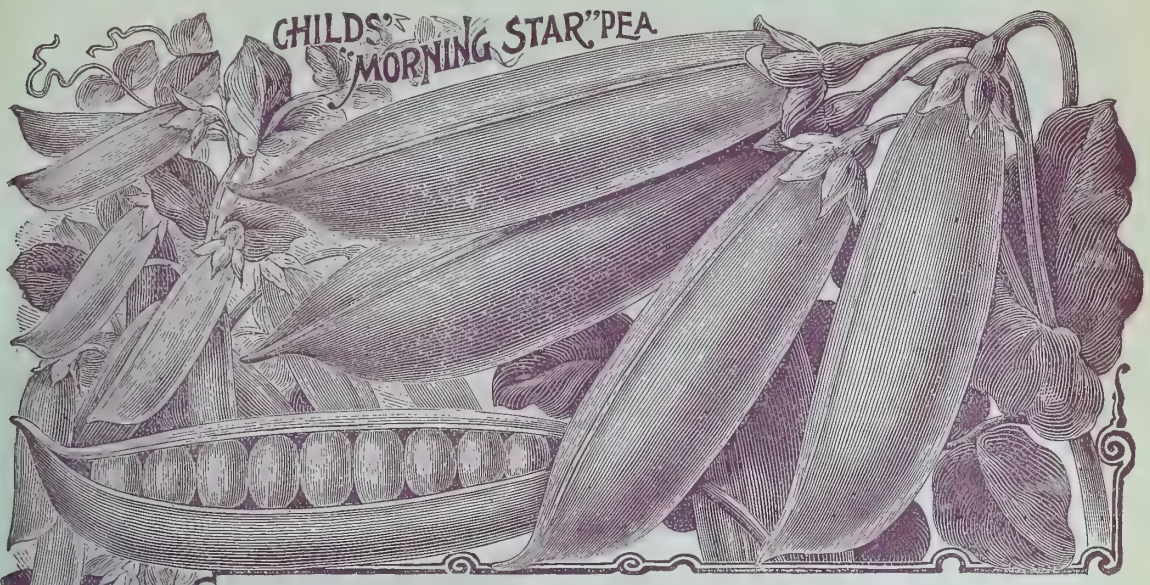
Might properly be called Radish Turnips on account of their shape, beauty and quick growth. The earliest of all, and consequently of much value, especially for market, their great beauty commanding ready sales at good prices.

Scarlet Kashmyr. This turnip has a striking resemblance to a large radish, being as round and uniform in shape, and bright purplish scarlet in color. The flesh is as white and crisp as a radish and of the most excellent quality. It matures almost as quickly as the earliest radishes, being several weeks ahead of any other turnip, and when cooked is of unsurpassed quality. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

White Kashmyr. This varies but little from the above except in color, it being pearly white and as smooth and round as a ball of ivory. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

One packet of each for 15c.





Pea, Childs' Morning Star.

A New Wrinkled Pea, Earlier by Nearly a Week Than Any of the Small Round Varieties.

This is the greatest vegetable novelty of 1894. It is the earliest Pea grown by nearly a week. It is a fair sized, wrinkled variety, and, therefore, possesses the same delicious quality of the late wrinkled kinds. For the first time the fine quality of the late varieties is combined with extreme earliness, When this is once tried no other early Pea will be grown. Added to its other qualities it is exceedingly prolific and continues to bear longer than other early sorts. It grows 18 to 20 inches high and does not require bushing.

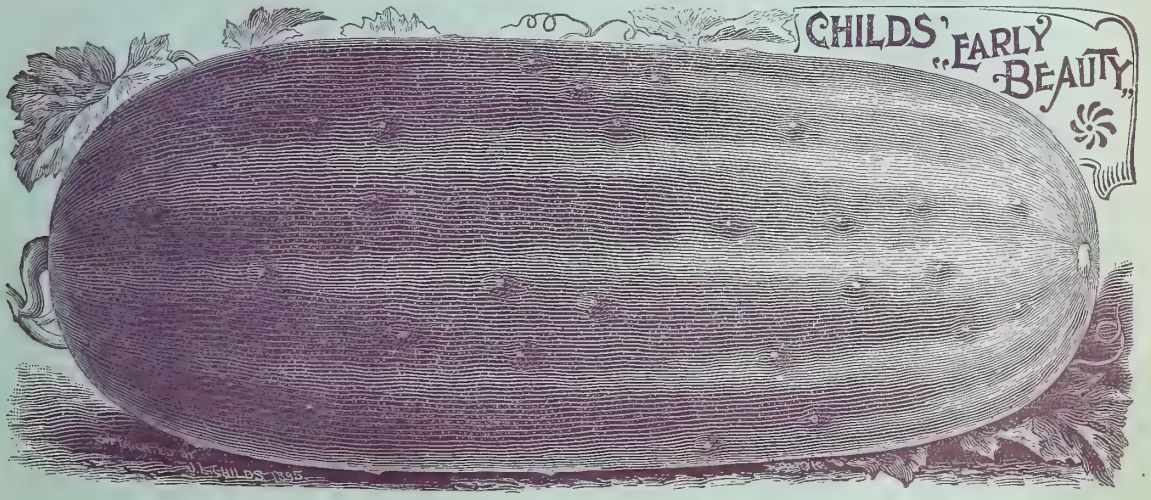
Mr. William Falconer, gardener to Charles A. Dana, and editor of *Gardening*, says: "I ought to tell you about the 'Morning Star' wrinkled pea you let me try here two years ago. I sowed it in single rows in light, warm soil about the end of March when I sowed round peas and Alpha and American Wonder. It astonished me by its earliness, coming in ahead; and it is a good cropper and of fine quality. Better still, it is the most reliable wrinkled pea for fall use—sown August 1st—that I have ever grown."

Mr. J. Goody, of Clan, Suffolk, England, writes: "Your pea, Morning Star, beats any pea in England for a first crop."

The supply of this wonderful Pea is limited and we can offer it only in small quantity. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.; 3 quarts, $2.00.

Cucumber, Childs' Early Beauty.

A most remarkable and valuable early Cucumber, first offered last year. It is a sport from Early Siberian, and has that variety's great value as a cropper. It is as early as Extra Early Russian though twice as large as that variety, and keeps its lively green color to a very late stage of growth, and will supplant all other early sorts, such as Siberian, Russian, Green Prolific, Thorburn's Everbearing, etc., for it is not only earlier, but larger and much finer in every respect. It is even so fine that it has been called Early White Spine, though it has no relation to that superb late variety. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.; oz., 50c.: lb., $5.00.



Potato, Early Harvest.

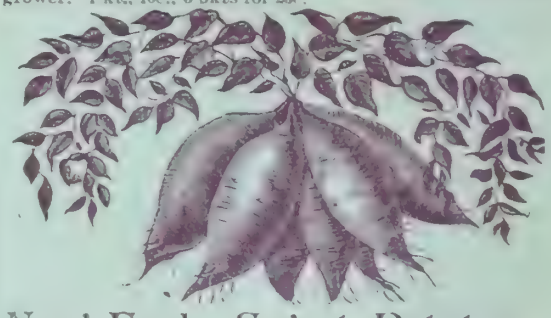
The Earliest Potato in the World.

This valuable novelty originated in the northern part of Maine, and is easily the earliest Potato in cultivation, but this is but one of its many superior qualities. It is an enormous yielder, and of the most superb quality. Nothing can surpass it in this respect. The tubers are of very large size and beautiful appearance, being nearly white, with eyes only slightly indented. Shape oval, flattened, sometimes long oval. By all odds this is the most valuable Potato for marketing and for home use, and a novelty of unusual value. Every farmer or gardener should plant at least a few for seed.

Price of fine tubers by mail, postpaid, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00. By express, $1.50 per peck; $5.00 per bushel; $12.00 per barrel.

The Spoon Gourd.

A small gourd which is both useful and beautiful. Color creamy yellow, capped and striped green. Shell very hard and durable, so that when the gourds are cut open (the large part), we have a unique spoon or ladle, with a fine round handle. A most useful article in many ways. Free, rank grower. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts for 25c.



New Early Sweet Potatoes.

These Early Sweet Potatoes are indeed valuable. They ripen in ten weeks from the time of planting, and can be grown in any of our Northern States, or in Canada. In quality they are much superior to the Southern article. With these varieties any family in the land can grow their own Sweet Potatoes. Set the plants in hills as you would ordinary potatoes, and any good soil will answer, though a light sandy one is the best. Even if the soil is very sandy and poor they do exceedingly well. Plants should be put out during June, or any time up to July 10th. These may be ordered at any time, but we do not send them out until about the first of June, when it is time to plant them in the garden directly they are received.

Chinese 30 Days. With us, small plants set out the last days of June produce full-grown fine tubers by the first of August, hence its name, "Thirty Days." The tubers are very large, fully a foot in length, and light pink in color. Its foliage is entirely distinct from any other sort, as when young the leaves are a purplish-black color, but turn green with age. A new sort from China. Green plants, 60c. per dozen; $3.25 per 100.

Early Peabody. Extra fine flavor, dry and sweet, and of beautiful red color. Very early, often fit to cook the second week in August. Green plants, 50c. per dozen; $3.00 per 100.

Early Golden. Very large tubers, smooth and light golden color. Green plants, 50c. per dozen; $3.00 per 100.

SPECIAL OFFER. *For 60c. we will send six plants each of the three sorts, 12 each for $1.00.*

The True Sacaline.

(Polygonum Sacalinense.)

The Great Forage Plant Which Is Creating a Sensation All Over the World.

The wonderful new forage plant. Is perfectly hardy, even in Siberia, yet flourishes in the tropics. Requires no plowing before planting. Needs no cultivation, no manuring, no re-planting. Roots penetrate deep into the soil. Once planted, stands forever. Endures severest drought with impunity. Grows in poorest soils. Luxuriates in wet lands. Thrives where no other forage plant will grow. Young shoots and leaves edible like asparagus. Leaves, green or dry, greatly relished by cattle and sheep. More nutritious than Clover or Lucerne. Gives three and four cuttings per year. Produces 90 to 180 tons of green forage per acre. Grows 14 feet high by June. Excellent soil enricher. Plant at any time. Affords shade to cattle in summer. Protection against storms in winter. Floods will not destroy it. Fire will not kill it. Cattle cannot trample it out. It is indorsed by the highest authorities all over the world, and seed has been sold as high as $1,000 per pound.

Seed of the Genuine Sacaline, 10c. per pkt.; 75c. per oz.; $8.00 per lb.

Roots. Fine, healthy roots, by mail, postpaid, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; 12 for $1.50. By express, $10 per 100.

Oat, Early Siberian.

The King of All Oats.

There is no question but that this is the greatest grain ever introduced, and its value to farmers is inestimable. Nothing like it ever before seen. Straw straight and stiff, and of medium height. Grain bright, plump and heavy. Head 14 to 18 inches long, branching and containing two or three times as many Oats as any other. Head from which our cut was made contained 348 grains. Grows quickly and ripens early, before severe drouths can ruin the crop. Never rusts. Its great quality, however, is its enormous productiveness. With equal chance it will outyield Welcome, White Russian and Probate, 40 to 50 per cent. This fact is proven beyond all question of doubt by the extensive trials which have been made all over the country. Extracts from a few of these reports are here published. Will be the only Oat grown in a few years. Read what is said of it:

"I have threshed the Early Siberian Oats, and received from one bushel sowing 66 bushels and 10 lbs. They are a very white Oat, with long, large berry. They stooled out good, stood up straight, and were as nice looking Oats growing as I ever saw. I am well pleased with them.
A. J. HARDING, Kalamazoo Co., Mich.

"I threshed the Early Siberian Oats yesterday, and must say that I am highly pleased with the results. I sowed the one bushel you sent me on three-fourths of an acre, and threshed 71 bushels, machine measure. I think this beats all. G. W. RILEY, Lenawee Co., Mich."

"We threshed the Early Siberian Oats August 25th. They were sown on less than three-fourths acre of ground, and yielded 60 bushels, machine measure, and they overrun in weight, making over 80 bushels per acre.
SAMUEL C. FORD, SR., Wayne Co., Mich."

"Early Siberian Oats, from one bushel, sown on one-half acre, threshed 32 bushels, machine measure, and weighed out 34, at the rate of 68 bushels per acre. My Ranner Oats on the same land and same chance, went only 27 bushels per acre. GEO. STOTTLE, Monroe Co., N. Y."

"I have threshed the Early Siberian Oats and find 49 bushels, grown from one bushel of seed, sown on three-fourths of an acre of ground, which is equivalent to 66 bushels per acre. FRED STOLZ, Wayne Co., N. Y."

"I sowed the bushel of Early Siberian Oats that I got of you on five-eighths of an acre, and threshed 62½ bushels of 40 lbs., equivalent to 125 bushels per acre of 32 lbs. Straw and grain very good. H. B. EATON, Lenawee Co., Mich."

"I have just threshed the Early Siberian Oats, and find I have 64 bushels from three-fourths of an acre. I am satisfied that if sown at the rate of two bushels per acre they would have yielded 100 bushels.
JOHN P. SCHWAB, Lenawee Co., Mich."

"I sowed the bushel of Oats on three-fourths acre of ground. I had 66 bushels, or 88 bushels per acre. I neither fertilized nor manured the ground on which they grew.
JAMES LANE, Lenawee Co., Mich."

Price. Fine fresh seed of this great new Oat. 10c. per packet; 40c. per lb.; 3 lbs. for $1.00, postpaid. By express or freight, $1.75 per peck; $5.00 per bushel; 3 bushels for $12.00.

Order early before supply is exhausted.

New Field Corn.

GOLDEN SUPERB.

An enormous golden dent variety, so early that it can be grown in the Northern States, and outyields any other sort. It originated in Connecticut. It is the finest Field Corn we have ever seen. Ears very large and handsome, 24 rows of deep kernels. It is enormously prolific, producing over 200 bushels to the acre in very dry seasons, in hills four feet apart each way, and with ordinary cultivation. Its great vigor enables it to stand dry weather remarkably and give a good crop when other sorts fail from drouth. Two or three ears are borne on each stalk, and they run as uniform as though they were all made in the same mold, and they are as perfect and handsome as though they were made of wax. No other variety of corn can approach this, and it is bound, when known, to be more extensively grown than all other kinds put together. Owing to its extreme earliness it may be harvested earlier than any other Dent Corn, even when planted much later. It is the earliest by several weeks of all dent varieties. It is seldom one sees anything bred up to such perfection as is this new corn. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 35c.; 3 pounds for $1.00, postpaid. By express or freight, peck, $1.50; bushel, $4.00; 2 bushels, $7.00.

James Ferguson, Bloomfield, N. J., Sept. 2d, writes: "I am about to harvest my Golden Superb Corn. I have never seen such good corn in my life. Its yield is immense, better than you claim. There is not a field of corn in the State of New Jersey that can beat it. Some of the stalks have four good full ears with 24 rows of kernels, exceedingly handsome. I shall take it to the State Fair."

SPECIALTIES AND NOVELTIES.

The choicest and best Bulbs and Plants of recent introduction are offered here. They are worthy of special attention, and our friends will do well to add many of them to their collection of floral treasures. During the last ten years we have led the world in the introduction of valuable Plant and Bulb Novelties. The Storm King Fuchsia, Champion of the World and Mary Washington Roses, Manettia Vine, Otaheite Orange, Filifera Palm, Solanum, Pleroma, etc., are all well-known plants of superior beauty. Among our latest and best Novelties are the New Roses, Gladiolus Childsi, Rudbeckia Golden Glow, and others too numerous to mention, offered under this heading. When one sees these beautiful new plants one can appreciate the progress that is being made in floriculture.

Filifera Palm.

One of the best window Palms, needing no petting to succeed. Stands dust and dry air, and lack of sunshine, and is very ornamental with its elegant fan-shaped leaves of a rich, dark, leathery green. Petioles (leaf stems) fringed with long thread-like filaments along the segments of the leaves. The plant is a compact grower well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation, and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will make a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a veranda, or be placed in any shady place about the garden or yard, or used for a center in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. All Palms of the fan-leaved sorts have, when young, leaves of a long, narrow shape, developing the round, fan-shaped ones as they grow older. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.

Seed. The seed of this magnificent Palm is sure to germinate and make rapid growing plants. Per paper, 10c.

Mosquito Catcher Plant.

This pretty plant, Vincetoxicum, comes from Japan. It grows one to two feet high, and blooms all summer, bearing a profusion of pretty white star-like blossoms that secrete a viscid fluid that attracts mosquitoes and sometimes other insects as well. Alas for the poor mosquito! No struggling on his part can ever free him after he has once dipped his beak in the forbidden sweets, though he may tug and plunge and buzz for a day or two after. A single spray of bloom will capture a dozen mosquitoes. 30c. each; 2 for 50c.

Anemone, Whirlwind.

A variety of the beautiful old A. Japonica, but with large, semi-double blossoms of a snow-white color. It possesses a beauty and airy grace which is seen in but few flowers, and its great profusion of bloom at the end of summer and during fall, when pure white flowers are scarce, makes it very valuable. It is one of the finest novelties of the year. We regret that we are unable to give it more space, as all should possess it. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Three Rare Geraniums.

The following three Geraniums are of special value:

Scarlet Flowering Rose (Mrs. Taylor). A distinct variety of the scented Geranium with a strong rose fragrance and large, deep scarlet flowers of the Hybrid Perpetual class. Combines free flowering qualities with fragrant foliage. Very useful for summer cut flowers, and as a pot plant for winter, cannot be surpassed.

Mrs. Parker. A beautiful double-flowering ivy-leaved, in which we have the only [illegible] flowering variety in the silver-leaved section. While the foliage is deep green, with [illegible] and margin of pure snow-white, the flowers [illegible] and of a clear bright pink, a combination at once novel and beautiful in the extreme.

Golden Leaved. A Geranium with bright yellowish foliage and large scarlet flowers. A unique plant and highly ornamental at all times.

Price, 50c. each; the 3 for 75c.

Rudbeckia Laciniata, fl. pl., "Golden Glow."

Now offered for the first time. A hardy perennial plant growing eight feet high, branching freely, and bearing by the hundreds, on long, graceful stems, exquisite double blossoms of the brightest golden color and as large as Cactus Dahlias. The cut represents a plant in bloom, as photographed. Mr. William Falconer, the best authority on plants in this country, says of it: "When I saw the double-flowering form of Rudbeckia Laciniata in bloom in your grounds at Floral Park, in summer last year, I was amazed, for notwithstanding my long and intimate acquaintance with plants I had never before seen a double-flowered Rudbeckia; and I was delighted with the fulness and gorgeousness of the blossoms and their clear, bright yellow color. You gave me a plant last spring and it was set out in good garden ground. It grew vigorously and threw up strong branching flower stems six feet high, laden with sheaves of golden blossoms as large as fair Chrysanthemums, and all having an elegant, graceful appearance, without any of the stiffness in habit or blossom peculiar to sunflowers. Many eminent florists and amateurs have seen it here, and all admired it. As cut flowers the blossoms last well. In fine, I unhesitatingly regard it as the most desirable introduction among hardy perennials since we got Clematis Paniculata." It is the most effective flowering plant for August and September in cultivation.

Strong plants, which will bloom freely this season, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00; 7 for $2.00; 12 for $3.00.

ROSES AT TEN CENTS EACH.

To meet competition in cheap Roses we have reduced the price of our superior high grade stock to ten cents each, if five or more are taken. Of course, small weak plants can be grown at a profit at ten cents; but our strong, healthy, well-rooted stock is worth more; but in offering our plants at that price we have the consolation of knowing that our loss will be our customers' gain; so plant them freely.

The Rose is the emblem of beauty and true worth; the Rose-bud of innocence and purity. At all times, and in all places, the Rose has ever been the acknowledged Queen of Flowers. The maiden of two thousand years ago adorned herself with chaplets and garlands of Roses as does the maiden of to-day. The use of Roses is now more universal than ever. We cannot get along without Roses for pillars and hedges and bedding. They are indispensable for vases, or for fine cut flower work, while no other flower is as popular for wearing or table decoration. Every family ought to grow them in abundance, for never in the history of the world have Roses been as low in price as now, and never as beautiful. The Rose has been brought to such a state of perfection as regards size, shape and color of flower, that it seems impossible for further improvement.

The secret of having good Roses is to begin with good, healthy plants, and not weak, sickly things, or those with stunted growth. The growth of many Roses is stunted before they are sent out, by leaving them too long in the cutting bed or in small pots, hence the weak growth and poor blossoms which follow. We furnish strong, vigorous, well-rooted Roses, ready to grow and bloom at once, and it is for this reason more than any other that our plants produce such an unusual large amount of the finest flowers. We have revised our list of varieties over and over again, until we know that these here offered are the very cream of more than a thousand known kinds. We do not believe that the list could possibly be improved. It embraces many recent novelties, as well as all the fine old sorts of tried and true merit.

Our complete system of mailing Roses and other plants in strong wooden boxes, insures their carrying to the remotest parts of the Union in perfect order.

Tea, or Everblooming Roses.

Price, 15c. each; 2 for 25c.; 5 for 50c.; or more at 10c. each. One each of the 30 sorts for $2.50.

The most popular for bedding. Blooms when very small, and if well cared for flowers continuously the whole season. Tea Roses are of great substance, with remarkably long handsome buds and shell petaled flowers of most exquisite soft shades, and distinct tea-like fragrance. Largely grown in pots for winter blooming. Give winter protection by banking with earth, or covering with evergreen boughs.

Catherine Mermet. The florist's choice whenever a fine pink Rose is ordered. The perfection of form, while the color is an exquisite bright pink, with shadings of paler pink and cream.

Duchesse de Brabant. Exceedingly robust and fragrant, and one of the freest of all in bloom. The color is a delicate and peculiar shade of rose, richly shaded.

Bridesmaid. A lovely new Rose of large size and perfect form. Exquisite soft sea-shell pink with a satin lustre.

Ernest Metz. Flowers of great size, buds long and pointed, on long stems. Color soft carmine rose.

Etoile de Lyon. One of the best outdoor Roses grown, and the hardiest of all the yellow varieties. A free bloomer, flower large, of a rich, creamy yellow, and finely cupped.

Francisca Kruger. An extra fine Rose for outdoor culture. Splendid deep copper yellow flowers, not as pale as most yellow Roses when grown in the open air.

Hermosa. Long a favorite and will be a hundred years from now. Unusually hardy, and bears great quantities of medium sized shell-like flowers of the loveliest pink.

Baron Berge. Splendid large double flowers of a most delicate and pleasing color; soft lemon white at base of petals, elegantly tinted with rose on the outer edges.

Maman Cochet. New and extra fine. Deep rosy pink, on long stems. A robust grower.

Luciole. A beautiful Rose, noted for its exquisite shading. Extra large cupped flowers of great substance, of a rich cherry-red, with golden center, elegantly veined.

La Princess Vera. Large and lovely buds, opening into a full double flower. Beautiful salmon rose, shaded with carmine. Extra.

Madame Hoste. Extra good either for pots or out of door. Pure golden yellow at center, shading to a light canary at the outer petals. Sometimes a creamy white in the open air. Very large flowers, elegantly shaped and finely perfumed.

Madame de Watteville. Often called the Tulip Rose. One of the best fancy Roses, an indescribable blending of cream and carmine, each shell-like petal outlined with bright pink. Its distinct fragrance is very pleasing.

Malmaison Blush. Grand old Rose of enormous size and great beauty and fragrance. As double as a Pæony. All the Malmaison Roses are superb.

Malmaison Red. Fine, large, deep red. Grand.

Malmaison Yellow. Beautiful apricot yellow, delicate and lovely.

Marie Guillot. One of the finest outdoor White Roses. Very free, perfect and beautiful. All should possess it. Snowy white, tinted yellow.

Marie Van Houtte. Light canary yellow, sometimes almost white. Very large and perfect. A fine bedder.

Marshal Neil. The finest known yellow Rose, but a rank grower and requires lots of room. Fine for greenhouses.

Mrs. DeCraw. A new Rose, very robust and quite hardy, fragrant and free blooming. Color a clear self pink of loveliest shade. Cannot fail to please.

Niphetos. Rather too delicate for the open ground, but the grandest of all white indoor Roses, particularly free blooming during the winter. Long, pointed, snowy-white buds that no other Rose can equal.

Papa Contier. Fine for either garden or house. Large flowers of great substance, and very fragrant. Color, a rich, dark carmine. A glorious Rose.

Perle des Jardins. Almost an exact counterpart of the famous Marshal Neil Rose, but very robust and of dwarf growth. Fine either for pots or open ground.

Queen's Scarlet. An extra good Rose. Always in bloom, and the color an unusual one among ever-bloomers, being a dark, rich, satiny crimson. No better dark Rose.

Rainbow. A charming new Rose, showing several different colors in the same flower.

Snowflake. A new white Rose, with lovely waxen blooms in the greatest abundance. Fine for out of door, and extra fine for pots.

The Queen. This superb Rose is a sport from the grand old Souvenir d'un Ami, and has the same beautiful pointed buds and distinct fragrance, but is pure snowy white in color instead of pink. Extra fine.

The Bride. An exquisitely lovely Rose, and very popular. Beautiful foliage, and perfect double flowers of the very largest size, and of the most snowy whiteness.

Marion Dingee. Beautifully cupped flower of exquisite beauty, and a most profuse bloomer. Color, deep crimson, very bright and showy.

Sunset. One of the richest colored Roses in the Tea section; a rich golden amber, or old gold, elegantly tinged and shaded with ruddy copper. The flowers and buds are extra large, full, finely formed and deliciously perfumed.

1. CRIMSON RAMBLER.
2. MARY WASHINGTON.
3. CHILD'S JEWEL.
4. CHAMPION OF THE WORLD.

NEW ROSES.

New Roses of Special Merit.

The following five new Roses, all introductions of ours, are the most unique, valuable, distinct and beautiful varieties which have been offered for many years. Each one is a new departure, and no lover of rare Roses can be without them.

Crimson Rambler.

This new rose is the sensation of the hour, and well it may be, for it is indeed a marvel. It originated in Scotland, and is a hardy, ever-blooming, climbing Polyanthius. It is perfectly hardy in the open ground, will grow 8 to ten feet in a season, is in bloom all the time from early spring to late fall, the flowers appearing in great panicles as large as a man's hat and of a deep, rich crimson color, like blood-colored velvet. The flowers when cut last two weeks in water, and fully a month on the bush, which is a perfect mass of rich crimson at all times. It can be grown in various ways, as a pillar rose, as a trellis rose, and for covering a wall it has no equal, and when pegged down it will form a bed of itself. Cut back it is a magnificent pot rose for the window. It is always in bloom, even when very small, and is easily trimmed to a bushy grower. Being the introducer in this country, we have the largest and finest stock of this superb rose, which we offer at the following very low prices:

Extra strong Plants, 25c. each; 3 for $1.00.

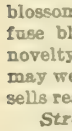
Childs' Jewel.

The Rose of Many Colors. Flowers of Various Colors Borne on the Same Plant at the Same Time.

During the past few years we have introduced several new Roses, some of which are among the most valuable known at the present time, such as "Champion of the World," "Mary Washington," etc. We now offer the most remarkable Rose in cultivation, as well as the most novel and beautiful one. Childs' Jewel produces flowers which range in color from dark orange-yellow to crimson, variegated, blotched, mottled etc. A plant in bloom shows no two flowers alike, Some will be dark yellow; others, light yellow, buff, saffron, light and dark crimson, pink, blush, apricot, etc.; while others will be variegated in a most beautiful manner. As may well be imagined, the sight which such a plant in bloom presents is a novel and beautiful one, It is a pure Tea Rose, the flower being large, delightfully fragrant, and in both bud and blossom exquisitely beautiful. It is a free grower, and a profuse bloomer, especially in the open ground. As a rose novelty this is the most remarkable ever introduced, and as may well be imagined creates a sensation wherever seen, and sells readily at two and three dollars each when in bloom.

Strong, healthy plants, for blooming at once, 30c. each; two for 50c.; five for $1.00.

Mary Washington.



This Rose was raised by George Washington over one hundred years ago in his garden at Mt. Vernon, and named after his mother. We introduced it a few years ago, our stock plants coming direct from Mt. Vernon from the original vines. Aside from the fact that this Rose was raised and named by George Washington, it is one of the most valuable sorts that has been introduced for many years. A hardy, perpetual blooming climber has long been needed. Its flowers are pure white, perfectly double to the center; sweet, and borne in endless numbers all summer. It is a vigorous and rapid grower, and a most valuable Rose for out-door culture. Its buds are as beautiful as the finest Tea Roses, borne on large stems, and usually in large clusters. One plant of the Mary Washington will produce more flowers than a dozen Tea Roses. Its fragrance is tinged with the old-fashioned musky flavor so much admired in olden times. It will commence blooming immediately after planting, and the smallest plant will produce hundreds and even thousands of flowers the first summer. Our stock is genuine.

Fine plants, 20c. each; three for 50c.

Champion of the World.

This is the Rose for Everybody, the Best and Freest Bloomer for Winter or Summer.

Champion Bloomer. It commences to bloom as soon as potted from the propagating bench, and continues in the greatest profusion all the time, both SUMMER and WINTER. One plant of it will produce more flowers during the year than ten plants of any Tea Rose. It is always in full bloom. Plants which have bloomed all summer in the garden may be potted in the autumn, and they will immediately start new growth and bloom profusely all winter in any window. Returned to the garden in the spring, they will again bloom all summer without intermission. It is truly a perpetual bloomer, never without flowers.

Champion in Hardiness. Though a perpetual bloomer, it is as hardy and robust as an oak, standing the severe winters of Vermont, where it originated, in the open ground, without the slightest protection, and commencing its season of bloom earlier than any other sort. For a hardy garden Rose it is as valuable as it is for pots.

Champion in Vigor. It is the most healthy and vigorous Rose in cultivation, for its handsome rank foliage has never been known to mildew under any conditions, indoors or out. It is ABSOLUTELY MILDEW PROOF under any and all conditions.

Champion in Fragrance. It has the most delicious and powerful rose fragrance, which is maintained during the whole year. Its perfume in December is as rich, delicate and sweet as it is in June.

Champion in Form and Color. Its blossoms are perfectly double to the center, and of the most perfect shape, both in bud and blossom, while its color is a degree of loveliness which few roses can equal, being a rich, deep, rosy pink, darker and richer than Hermosa, and a shade the delicate richness of which is seldom seen. Its size is very large for an everbloomer, often as large and fine as La France, or the best hybrid perpetuals.

In General. This remarkable Rose, a cross between Hermosa and Magna Charta, originated several years ago in Vermont. Mr. Geo. W. Woodhouse, the originator, says: "I have tested nearly every rose in cultivation, and claim to know them all, and I stake my reputation as a judge in such matters, by stating that there is not a Rose grown that will produce, after the usual June bloom, even a respectable percentage of the blooms that the Rose 'Champion of the World' will; and no Rose of any name or kind that will stand the winter in the open ground better than the above. It is a perpetual bloomer, and I could not select a time that I could say that I thought was any better than another for a display of blossoms."

Strong, well-rooted plants, 20c. each; three for 50c.; seven for $1.00; fifteen for $2.00.

Climbing Meteor,

Or Perpetual Blooming Climbing Jacqueminot.

This Rose we offer this year for the first time, and it will be found illustrated and fully described on the cover of this Catalogue. It is the finest novelty among plants of the season. No description can do it justice. In many respects it is the most glorious Rose that blooms.

30c. each; 4 for $1.00. Extra large and strong plants, $1.00 each.

SPECIAL OFFER.

For $1.00 we will send one fine plant each of these five Grandest New Roses.

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Price of all Roses on this page, except Mosses, 15c. each, 2 for 25c., or more at 10c. each.

Hybrid Teas.

These combine the best qualites of both the Teas and Hybrid Perpetuals, of which they are a cross, giving us the fine coloring and large size of the Hybrid Perpetuals with the everblooming character of the Teas. This section is also much hardier than the average Tea, and while of a fine, erect habit, are much dwarfer than the Hybrid Perpetuals, making them extra fine for specimen plants upon the lawn, or as center plants for beds of Tea Roses. Splendid for pots.

Pink La France. Pale peach with silvery sheen. Grand.
Red La France. A sport from the above pink sort, having the same satiny lustre, but deeper in color.
White La France. Pure snow white. A glorious flower.
Striped La France. A new sort, with finely striped and marked blossoms. It is superb.
Antoine Verdier. Always in bloom. Silvery rose with deeper shadings. One of the best.
Meteor. Shows the peculiar velvety richness of the best dark Hybrid Perpetuals, and blooms as freely as any Tea. Very double and perfect; a rich, glowing crimson, never tinged with magenta or dull purple in hot weather as are some dark Roses. A grand bedding Rose.
Triumph de Pernet Pere. Long, lovely buds and beautiful full-blown Roses, of a rich bright red. A continuous and profuse bloomer.
Mad. Schwaller. Strong like a Hybrid Perpetual, and free bloomer. Color deep rosy flesh, exceedingly delicate and fragrant.

Hybrid Perpetual.

Hybrid Perpetuals ought to be very extensively grown by all. The flowers are of very great size and beauty, produced in great profusion in spring and to a considerable extent all summer. Their tall, erect habit fit them for ornamental hedges, center of large Rose beds, or clumps of shrubbery. They furnish us with deep, rich, glowing colors, to be found in no other section of the family, and their flowers are also very much larger, while beautifully cupped and imbricated. They are the finest of all Roses for vases. Perfectly hardy in the open ground in all localities.

Anna de Diesbach. A superb flower of immense size. Rich, dazzling crimson.
Alfred Colomb. Large, full, round flowers, of a bright cherry red, turning to a beautiful crimson.
Baron Bonstetten. Crimson-black. Extra fine.
Coquette des Blanches. Not large, but very double and perfect, blooming in large clusters at intervals throughout the season. Snowy white.
Baron Maynard. Pure white. Very fine.
Coquette des Alps. Fine snowy-white, large and full.
General Jacqueminot. Large velvety flowers, of the most intense maroon-scarlet, each set in a cluster of rich green leaves. Blooms repeatedly through the summer and fall, and is the most popular Rose grown, without exception.
Perfection des Blanches. Pure white. Not large, but very perfect, profuse and sweet, and a constant bloomer.
Paul Neyron. Immense double flowers, of a shining carmine-pink. The largest Rose known; perfectly grand.
Dinsmore. We cannot praise this enough. Always in bloom, with large, finely imbricated flowers of a rich bright crimson. Rather bushy and compact growth. Extra fine as specimen Rose upon the lawn.
Francis Levet. Extra fine Rose of large size and clear bright rose color. Very rich and fragrant.
Prince Camille de Rohan. Plenty of name, and plenty of Rose. Flowers crimson-black, very large and velvety.
Mad. Masson. Large double crimson-red. Extra fine.
Mrs. John Laing. A constant bloomer from spring until after hard frosts, and its flowers are simply faultless in shape and outline. Every petal is like a perfect shell, while the color is the most exquisite shade of silvery pink, like the tint that bathes the lip of a seashell.
Marshall P. Wilder. Bright cherry-carmine. Great size and perfectly double. Superb.
Vick's Caprice (The Striped Rose). This is the best and in fact the only Striped Rose of value. It is a Hybrid Perpetual, commencing to bloom when very small, and producing flowers which are perfectly double to the center and of perfect form. It is very fragrant and its color is deep satiny pink, with numerous wide stripes of white.

Climbing Roses.

Their beautiful foliage and profusion of bloom make them invaluable for large trellises, old walls, arbors, sides of buildings, trees, etc. Perfectly hardy anywhere, and rank, thrifty growers, reaching twenty feet or more.

Baltimore Belle. Literally a sheet of fragrant, pale-blush bloom in early summer. Over 4,000 buds and blossoms have been counted on a single vine at one time.
Tennessee Belle. Large, full flowers of rosy blush.
Seven Sisters. Large clusters of Roses, shaded from white to crimson, no two alike in cluster. Very odd and fine.
Queen of the Prairie. A distinct Rose, with deeply sunken center, making a cup-shaped Rose of much beauty.

Polyanthus Roses.

These are the "Baby" or "Fairy" Roses, wee little rosettes of bloom, sometimes less than an inch across, but borne in large panicles at the end of every shoot. We have counted 120 flowers in one cluster of Mignonette and other varieties not far behind. Fine for pot culture. Compact, bushy, always in bloom. Hardy in open ground, and blooms from May to December.

Mignonette. Tiny pale pink flowers. Very pretty, and borne in immense clusters.
Parquette. Large clusters of wee white blossoms, which are perfectly lovely.
Mad. Cecil Brunner. Salmon on yellow ground; dwarf habit but vigorous.
Clothilde Soupert. As large as an ordinary Tea Rose, and exceedingly lovely. Fine for outdoor, and by many florists considered the very finest pot Rose. Flowers borne in large pnricles, each floret double and rosette-like. Color, a pearly-white, with exquisite center of a soft salmon-peach.
Clorie de Polyanthus. Bright pink, rayed with red. Beautifully cupped blossoms in great profusion.

Moss Roses—25c. Each; the Five, $1.

The Moss Rose is the acknowledged queen of all Roses. The moss-covered stems and buds show off the delicate loveliness of the blossom to great advantage. They are perfectly hardy in any location, and should be found in every garden.

Blanche Moreau. Called perpetual, as it blooms more or less all the season. Pure white.
Princess Adelaide. Lovely bright pink.
Countess Murinais. Large, pure white.
Henry Martin Fine clear rose.
Crimson Glow. New; bright crimson-scarlet.

Wichuriana (Trailing Rose). A lovely hardy Rose of perfectly prostrate growth, trailing along the ground, over stones or stumps, to a distance of ten feet in a season. Flowers in clusters. Splendid for covering banks, mounds, etc. 15c. each; 2 for 25c.

Moonflowers.

The most popular quick growing vine in cultivation. Its rapid, luxuriant growth, its thick, overlapping, glossy foliage, and its nightly scores of immense, silky blooms of rare fragrance, are merits that cannot be over estimated. By actual count, a strong vine will bear from one to three thousand of its superb blooms in a season. Very fine for piazzas, arbors, etc.

Ipomœa Noctiphiton. Grand foliage and magnificent snow-white blooms, four or five inches across. Stands drouth like a Salamander. Give it rich soil if possible. Fine plants, 15c. each, 4 for 50c. Seed, 10c. per packet. Blooms well first summer from seed, if started early.

Ipomœa Learei. A large vine, but not quite so rank growing. Flowers of a lovely azure blue, with faint crimson bars. Texture almost as delicate as the spider's web. Lovely beyond description. 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Seed, 15c. per packet.

Ipomœa Mexicana. In a sheltered location, the blossoms of this remain open all day. Almost as large as Ipomœa Noctiphiton. It has a large tuberous root, that can be preserved over winter like the Dahlia, and this gives the plant a strong and early start each spring. Very handsome and graceful airy foliage, deeply incised or palmated. The blossoms are of an indescribable rosy crimson with a shade of violet or blue, and are very beautiful, resembling rich satin. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Heavenly Blue. Blossoms five inches across, of the most beautiful form and airy grace, and borne in clusters. Color, a lovely shade of clear sky blue, too beautiful and delicate to describe. Seed, per pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.

Giant White Hybrid. Enormous flowers, the largest of any; pure white and a free bloomer. Grows freely and rapidly and blooms much earlier than any other white variety. A splendid novelty. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.

Giant Pink Hybrid. A Hybrid Pink Moonflower of marvelous growth. Seed germinate very quickly and plants begin to bloom about as soon as a Morning Glory. The blooms are produced by the thousand all summer and fall. The vine makes a most rapid growth and covers more space than any other Moonflower, or other annual vine. It branches freely and its foliage is large, dense and luxuriant. The blossoms open about four o'clock in the afternoon and do not close until about noon the next day. In color they are of a most exquisite, soft, lilac-pink, reminding one of the delicately colored pink Orchids. It will succeed wherever a Morning Glory will do well, in all localities. If one has not a garden this choice flower may be grown in pots, trained around a window or veranda. It is a cross between the Giant Moonflower and the great pink Brazilian Morning Glory. Packet, 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.

Pandurata, or Hardy Tuberous-Rooted Moonflower. This will stand a year's drouth without a murmur. An immense subterranean root, weighing sometimes a hundred pounds, sustains the vine through any vicissitude of weather, until frost kills the vine to the ground. Each year it springs up stronger than before, until it becomes a large, luxuriant vine, clothed with a luxuriant growth of pretty cordate leaves, and bearing great quantities, yes, thousands of large, thick-textured waxy flowers of a rich creamy-white, with a throat of violet-purple. It will grow in any soil, no matter how poor, and its blossoms remain open all day, unlike other Ipomœas. It is perfectly hardy in any climate, and a vine which will cover an enormous amount of space. 25c. each; 5 for $1.

Four Fine Roots for 75c.

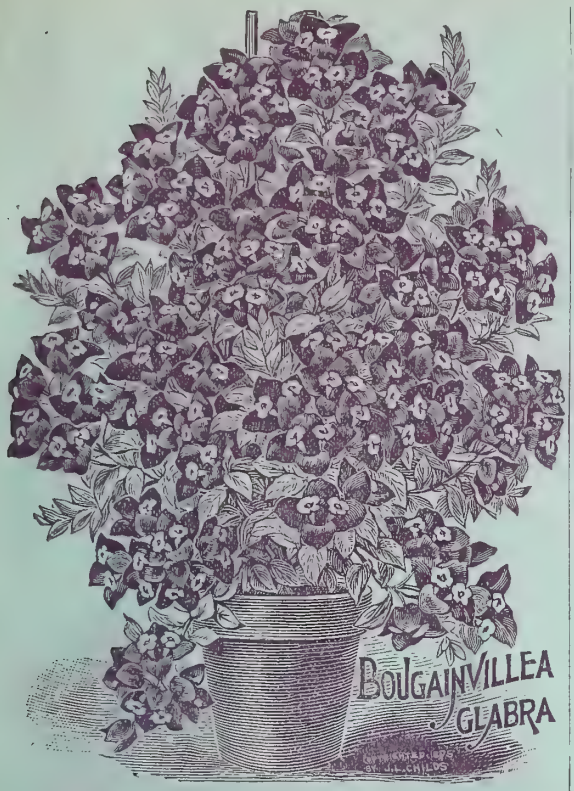
For only 75c. we will send one fine root each of the following four Moonflowers: Noctiphiton, Leari, Mexicana, and Pandurata.

Five Packets Seed for 35c.

For only 35c. we will send one packet seed each of the five finest Moonflowers, as follows: Noctiphiton, Leari, Heavenly Blue, Giant White, and Giant Pink. A superb collection.

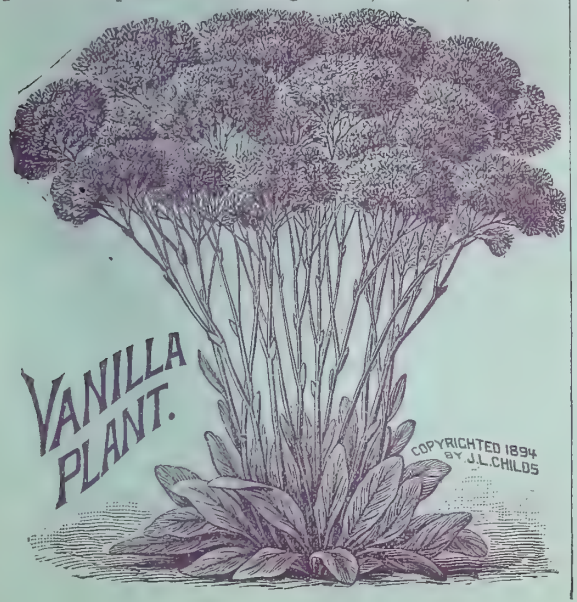
Mixed Moonflower Seed.

Fine Mixed Seed of all the Moonflowers here offered, 20c. per packet; 3 packets for 50c. A packet of this seed is one of the five packets which are given as premium to every MAYFLOWER subscriber.



Bougainvillea Glabra.

The most useful and brilliant flowering plant known. First-class certificate Royal Horticultural Society, April 24, 1894. Of the most easy culture, either in greenhouse or window, producing its magnificent rosy-crimson bracts and yellow blossoms in the smallest pots under all conditions, in the greatest abundance and amazing profusion from May to December. This is really the most sensational new plant of the year. Sold in England recently at $2.00 each. It will be one of the most satisfactory and popular pot plants in cultivation. Claimed by many to be the finest pot plant in cultivation. It is truly magnificent and one of the easiest to grow. Fine plants for blooming at once, 30c. each; 2 for 50c.



THYRSACANTHUS RUTILANS.

Thyrsacanthus Rutilans.

We read in Gardeners' Chronicle: "Of all plants that bloom in winter and spring, the most graceful and beautiful and best adapted for indoor decoration, is Thyrsacanthus. As a table plant its tabular blooms on long (20-inch) thread-like branches, show to great advantage. Considering its easy growth and the length of time it lasts in bloom, it is just one of those plants that should find a place in every collection, however choice."

From Fleur des Serres, by Mr. Louis Van Houtte: "To say that the plant has fulfilled all expectations is to keep within the truth. It was described and pictured as bearing racemes of flowers six to eight inches long, yet the plant before us is covered with sprays over 20 inches in length, all garnished with flowers of the brightest carmine. It is a good plant in every meaning of the word; a precious plant for decorative purposes. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Vanilla Plant.

A new pot plant, which is sure to take like wild-fire. It belongs to the Liatris family, and is a half-hardy perennial. As its name implies, its blooms possess a strong, delicious and refreshing vanilla fragrance. Foliage is also fragrant. It is a splendid flowering plant, sending up flower stems to the height of two feet at the top of which is borne a great branching panicle of rosy-purple bloom that keeps perfect a long time. At our greenhouses it has attracted great attention. One plant is sufficient to keep a large room constantly perfumed. 20c. each; 4 for 50c.

Grand New Coleus.

Velvet-like leaves of wonderful richness, and the most surprising markings. Fine for cutting, to mix with flowers, etc., in baskets and vases. Good pot plants and the following make superb specimens:

Dr. Ross. Enormous leaves, like a Rex Begonia but more exquisitely colored, being a blending of yellow, crimson, pink, green, chocolate, etc. A grand specimen plant. Finest sort yet seen.

Mrs. Saunders. This splendid variety differs from all other Coleus in having a wedge of creamy white in the center of the leaf, with a clearly defined margin of oxide green, bronze, crimson and purple. This central wedge shaped creamy white blotch occupies the greater half of the leaf, and is sometimes splashed with magenta.

Mayflower. A superb new sort, with large leaves, mottled yellow, crimson, black and green. Robust grower and one of the very best for single specimens.

Price, 20c. each; the three for 50c.

Otaheite Orange.

MOST UNIQUE POT PLANT IN CULTIVATION.

An extra fine pot plant, with glossy green leaves, the true fragrant orange blooms and abundant little bright oranges that will hang on the little bush like balls of gold for six months after they are ripe. They will bloom and fruit in a two-inch pot; and we have seen a plant in a common window, that was but 15 inches high, and had 23 oranges on it. With good sunlight they are never out of fruit from one year's end to another, and at least two-thirds of the time are in flower also. The fruit is very sweet and handsome. Could we have but one plant in our window it would be an Otaheite Orange. In beauty, grace and fragrance there is nothing like its delicate leafy sprays of bloom, so indescribably exquisite, dainty, lovely and adorable. Fine plants for blooming and fruiting at once. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Japanese Tree Pæonies.

The most magnificent flower one can have in June. The new sorts which we imported a few years ago bear flowers more than a foot across, very double and of the brightest color, from white to intense scarlet, pink, mottled, variegated, etc. We have over thirty named kinds. Price $1.00 each; $10.00 per dozen, by express. They are too large to mail, and will bloom this spring.

Lychnis Plenissima.

A new perpetual blooming plant suitable either for the garden or for pots. It is particularly fine for winter blooming. Flowers lovely pink, in great profusion. 15c. each.; 3 for 30c.

Sauromatum Simlense.

A rare and curious garden bulb, with odd flower and luxuriant Palm-like foliage. The spathe of this Calla-shaped flower is two feet in length, with tapering point, and is of very large size. Color of bloom, green on outside, inside yellow spotted with purple. Foliage very large, luxuriant like a Palm. A rare and curious plant which will create a genuine sensation. Plant out in open ground quite early, or by corn planting time. 60c. each; 2 for $1.00.

Caryopteris Mastacanthus.

This new plant is highly spoken of in the foreign horticultural journals, and has been twice color-plated. It is of Chinese origin, and has lately been introduced. It is extremely floriferous, plants in 2½-inch pots blooming profusely and continuing to do so until they have reached a height and width of three feet. The dense flower heads are of a rich lavender blue, rare among flowers. It has been termed Blue Spirea. A superb pot plant. especially for blooming at Thanksgiving, at which time it is most profuse. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

German Iris.

Another good old flower, as handsome as an Orchid, now to be found in many new colors. A striking flower of crepe-like texture and most exquisite coloring, the gauzy veining reminding one of the delicate tracing of the butterfly's wing. We grow acres of Iris, and know you can find no finer list of varieties than the one here presented. They bloom in May and June, when there is a dearth of really fine flowers, and are out of bloom before Iris Kaempferi commences.

Alveirea. Upright petals, light blue; falls, rich brilliant purplish blue, flaked and feathered.
Candicans. Uprights, fine light blue; falls, feathered light and dark blue.
Cubero. Uprights, bright golden yellow, falls, finely veined.
Fulda. Uprights, light lavender; falls, light and dark blue veined and feathered.
Honorable. Uprights, bright deep golden yellow; falls. finely feathered and veined yellow and maroon.
Mad. Cheral. Uprights, pearly white, deeply feathered at edges of petals with sky-blue; falls, white, delicately fimbricated blue; tall and very early. A grand variety.
Parisensis. Uprights, fine blue; falls, deep blue; large flower and very early bloomer.
Queen of the Cypsies. Uprights, smoky lavender-bronze; falls, feathered and veined rich plum, white, buff, etc.
Stenophylla. Beautiful self-color, light blue, shaded darker
Stella. Fine creamy white.
Souvenir. Uprights, brilliant yellow; falls freely veined network of yellow, buff and purple.
Velveteen. Light yellow; falls, deep velvety purple-black.
Price of above grandest sorts, 10c. each; 3 for 25c,; the whole 12 for only $1.00. Plant them by all means.
Fine Mixed Sorts. A lovely collection of all colors. Will all bloom finely the first summer. 6 for 40c.; 12 for 75c.

Double Lilacs.

Among important novelties in Horticulture these new Double Flowering Lilacs must rank among the very best. Their great beauty is creating a genuine sensation all over Europe. We have double white, lilac and crimson. 60c. each; 2 for $1.00.

Daphne Cneorum.

A small, low-growing shrub, almost of a creeping habit, with spiral branches of dense evergreen leaves. The flowers are a lovely pink color, in dense clusters, and are borne profusely in early spring and more or less during the entire summer and fall. The delicate beauty of the blossoms is great, but their fragrance is marvelous. A lovely little gem of a shrub. 25c. each.

Lotus Pelyorensis.

This charming plant is so well thought of abroad that a prominent horticultural journal color-plated it. The Garden says of it: "Its cylinder branching habit is most striking, and the silvery foliage even more so. Without its flowers it might almost be described as a Silvery Asparagus."

But the bright coral red flowers, measuring two inches in length, are really beautiful greatly reminding one of the rare and beautiful Clianthus, so difficult to grow, while this gem is of the easiest possible management. Its drooping habit also makes it useful for hanging baskets. It is also quite hardy. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Callas.

Several important new Callas are here offered. The Little Gem is a perfect wonder, and everybody should have it.

Little Gem. All that need be said about this sterling novelty is that it is a perfect miniature Calla, growing 8 or 12 inches high and producing perpetually very large snow-white blossoms. It begins to bloom when only a few inches high in a three or four inch pot, and a well-established plant in a large pot is never without flowers, summer or winter, and sometimes shows a dozen at once. The greatest plant novelty of late years and yet the sensation of the day. Our stock is TRUE, and the largest in the world. Cut shows the comparison of the Common Calla and Little Gem growing side by side. The plant for everybody. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Childs' Dwarf Everblooming. Habit dwarf and compact with handsome glossy foliage, and large snow-white flowers. The old Calla, as everyone knows, is a shy bloomer. This new sort is always in bloom, summer or winter, blooming for years without once ceasing. It can be grown in the open ground in summer, and lifted again in the fall, or it may be kept growing in pots all of the time. A great improvement as a pot plant over the old Calla, requiring less room and producing much larger and finer flowers and five times as many of them. Stock very scarce. 60c. each; 2 for $1.

Common Calla. Fine strong plants. 25c. each.

Spotted Calla. Leaves finely spotted white. Flowers white with dark center. Makes a very pretty plant. Fine bulbs, 20c. each.

Yellow Calla. Same nature as the Spotted Calla, but with large golden-yellow blossoms with a black center. Very rare. $1.50 each.

Abutilon, Infanta Eulalia.

It would be difficult to find a more unique flowering plant than this. Unlike the ordinary Abutilon of scraggy growth it is very compact and short jointed, making a very neat pot plant. The flowers are the most beautiful we have seen among Abutilons, being very large yet short and beautifully cupped, and of the most lovely pale satin-pink color imaginable. It produces its flowers by the score both summer and winter. It is safe to say that this plant will produce five times as many flowers as any other Abutilon under the same conditions. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Abutilon, Souv. de Bonne.

The most beautiful in foliage of all Abutilons. Each leaf has a broad distinct margin of pure white, making a most conspicuous plant. The long stemmed flowers are of golden yellow color veined with scarlet. It is a remarkably free bloomer, either in pots or bedded out during summer, and is always a most attractive specimen plant, especially for exhibiting. The leaves are so very large, and so distinctly marked with white, and the flowers so showy that everyone is attracted to it. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Abutilon, Snowstorm. Large, pure white; finest of its color. 15c. each.

Abutilon, Grandiflora. Rich golden yellow. An extra fine bushy grower. 15c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER. *One each of above 4 best Abutilons, for 50c.*

Strobilanthes Dyerianus.

A new house and bedding plant sent out last year in England at $2.00 each, and to which was awarded the gold medal offered by the King of Belgium at the Ghent Exhibition. It forms a compact bush 18 inches high, with leaves 6 to 9 inches long, 3 or 4 inches wide, and of the most intense metallic purple color, shading into light rose with a light green margin, a combination unapproached by any other plant. The flowers are a lovely violet-blue, very beautiful, of a Gloxinia-like appearance. For a bedding plant it has few equals. In an exposed position its foliage colors highly, and is superbly ornamental. Creates a sensation wherever seen. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 12 for $2.00.

Resurrection Plant.

This is something that always interests the children and the older folks alike. There is a shrunken rounded ball of tightly folded leaflets, dry and dead. We drop it in a bowl of tepid water, and soon one frond-like tip curls slowly outward, then another, and another, until in a short time there is floating in the dish a beautiful metallic-green plant; a great, loose, expanded rosette of fine fern-like leaves, both odd and beautiful. This experiment can be repeated many times, the plant curling tightly together when dry, and expanding when soaked in water. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Chrysanthemum
Philadelphia.

New Chrysanthemums.

The following are new varieties of more than ordinary value. In fact they are the *leaders* of to-day.

Philadelphia. The sensation among Chrysanthemums. Took 15 first prizes last year, never failing to win in any exhibition in America or Europe. Flower of enormous size, as round as a ball, pure white with a delicate shadowy tinge of lemon, giving the flower a peculiar translucent effect. It is the grandest variety in cultivation, its peculiar beauty being utterly indescribable.

Dandelion. The earliest Chrysanthemum to bloom and the most exquisite yellow variety. Color deep golden, size large, dwarf habit, free bloomer. As a cut flower nothing can surpass it. A seedling raised by us four years ago; now offered for the first time.

Norma Dee Childs. A beautiful Chinese; enormous flower, seven inches across, perfectly double to the center; petals wide, and color snow-white. Unquestionably the best pure white Chrysanthemum known.

Mayflower. Flowers six inches across, perfectly double to the center. Petals long and wavy and beautifully and deeply laciniated; color pale whitish-lavender, slightly shaded with yellow toward the center. Unlike any other variety, and a flower of great and peculiar beauty.

Autumn Eve. An early blooming large flowered white variety and a fine companion to Dandelion, as they are both such early bloomers, and fine in every respect.

Price of above New Chrysanthemums, 25c. each; the 5 for $1.00.

Chrysanthemums.

Not a word needs to be written descriptive of the Queen of Autumn Flowers. The interest taken each autumn in the Chrysanthemum shows of every city shows the hold this flower has on the hearts of the people. Beautiful, profuse, easily grown, and a superb pot plant for room decoration. No other flower need hope to compete with it in the season.

Some dealers offer confusing lists of hundreds of varieties, but we have reduced our list to the cream of all sorts, any one of which might grace a queen's palace. Our advice is to give them rich food and plenty of water, and if the large blooms of the Exhibition are coveted, keep them in pots always, shifting them as they require, pinching back until robust and bushy, then to disbud, leaving but one blossom out of each cluster to develop, feeding the plant, of course, on liquid manure from the time the buds show.

Price *of all the following, 15c. each, 2 for 25c., 5 for 50c., or more at 10c. each.*

Ada Spaulding. (I) The winner of many prizes. Large and perfect; the lower half of the flowers a deep, rich pink, melting into the purest pearl white at the tips.

Antonius. A bright canary yellow. Anemone-flowered Pompon. A great bloomer.

Black Douglas. (P) A curious and beautiful Pompon. The color so deep as to be almost black, while the tip of each petal shows a glint of gold, making the whole blossom appear as though sprinkled with gold dust.

Cullingfordii. Still the standard of what a fine dark Chrysanthemum should be. Very rich dark crimson.

Edouard Audigier. (I) Unlike any other sort. Rich velvety violet-purple, with silvery reverse of petal. Very large.

H. E. Widener. One of the most famous of the newer Chrysanthemums. Flowers a perfect ball of bright lemon yellow; very large and upheld by long stiff flower stalks.

Harry May. (I) A massive, spherical flower of rich old-gold touched with reddish veins. Spoon-shaped petals.

Ivory. A grand variety. A smooth-textured ivory-white flower of large size and perfect globular form.

Leopard Improved. Most beautiful and distinct. The color is a peculiar but beautiful carmine-purple thickly dotted with white. A great improvement on the old Leopard.

Kiota. (I) One of the most popular yellows, of a rich golden color, and as round as a ball. Very fine.

Koko. (A) Broad, flat; outer petals of a rosy-lilac. Short, tubular center petals of a creamy white.

Geo. W. Childs. A massive flower of great substance and superb color. A rich, deep, velvety-crimson, absolutely free from all other shades. One of the very largest and richest-colored sorts known.

Golden Wedding. New last year, and probably the very finest of all yellow varieties. Flowers enormous in size, incurved, solid and globular. Finest and brightest yellow.

V. H. Hallock. The petals are broad and wax-like, in color an exquisite pearl, bathed in tints of rose.

W. K. Lincoln. Pure golden yellow; slightly incurved and of great size and perfection.

Lillian B. Bird. (J) A very large, full flower, with high center, and spreading needle-shaped petals of a pale shrimp-pink.

L. Canning. (J) Much grown for specimens and for cutting. Pure white; petals very long and broad. Extra.

Eugene Dailledouze. Deep gold, and the very finest late sort. Size and form magnificent.

Major Bonnafon. Soft, clear yellow, beautiful globe form and very early bloomer.

The Queen. Claimed to be the very finest pure white. Certainly none better.

Laciniata Grandiflora. An improvement on the old Laciniator; flowers twice its size, perfectly double, and pure snow-white; petals beautifully laciniated.

White Comet. A large, flat flower, double to the center, seven inches across petals whorled, quilled and twisted in the most beautiful manner. Color, pure white.

Mrs. Fottler. (J) A lovely incurved variety, with long, pointed petals. The soft pink flowers are very feathery.

Mrs. L. C. Maderia. Large, double, globular flowers, with large quilled petals that last long in perfection. The color is a distinct orange-yellow. A splendid grower.

Mrs. Langtry. (J) A very large and beautiful late bloomer of snowy whiteness.

Princess Meletia. (P) Beautiful for cutting or wearing. A lovely, long stemmed fringed flower of perfect Pompon shape; a delicate blush white. Will please everyone.

Roslyn. A superb Mermet-Rose pink. Thick heavy petals, flowers of immense size.

Rose Queen. (J) A lovely rose-amaranth, with quilled, flattened petals.

Val d'Or. (P) The finest of all yellow-flowered Pompons. Blooms in clusters. Beautiful shape, and rich color.

Wm. R. Smith. (J) Color, a fine daybreak-crimson; large and beautifully shaped.

W. N. Rudd. A pale lavender pink, rare shade of great beauty. Petals long, drooping and curiously notched.

Whirlwind. An enormous pure white anemone-flowered; of great beauty.

OSTRICH PLUME CHRYSANTHEMUMS

These are the unique hairy or "Esau" varieties which are so odd, beautiful and popular.

Louis Boehmer. An elegant, fleecy sort of a soft rosy-pink. The broad petals show the same plush-like hairiness of Mrs. Alpheus Hardy, to which it is a fine companion.

Mrs. Alpheus Hardy. Large, loose, feathery blooms, covered with frosted plush-like hairs. A magnificent flower.

W. A. Manda. Superb, large golden-yellow flowers, on stout stems well above the foliage. This also shows the handsome hairs so much admired in these flowers.

One each of the 35 varieties offered on this page, $3.00.

CHOICE CHRYSANTHEMUM SEED,

Chrysanthemums are very easily grown from seed, and flower abundantly the first season. It is no trouble at all to grow them and they are sure to flower beautifully in October and November from spring-sown seed. Every plant raised will produce a flower of a different color and character, no two will ever be alike, and among them there will be many exceptionally beautiful and valuable new varieties.

Extra Choice Mixed, saved only from the finest named sorts, 25c. per packet.

Ostrich Plume, Mixed Colors, 30c. per packet.

Superb New Dahlias.

These nine new Dahlias, of recent introduction, are, in our estimation, the finest in cultivation.

Price, 30c, each; 3 for 75c.; the 9 for $2.00.

Belle of Springfield. This is a real gem. It is exceedingly dwarf, branching freely and forming a very compact, bushy plant, not over two feet in height, though it blooms from the time it is six inches high. Five hundred blossoms have been counted at one time on a fair-sized plant, while one hundred blossoms is the usual number which a plant shows at all times. The flowers are 1½ inches across, bright scarlet in color, perfectly double, and imbricated to the very center. It is the most lovely flowering plant imaginable, and equaly valuable for growing in the garden or in pots. It blooms profusely all summer and long into winter, if potted.

E. H. Janker. Exactly like the above except in color, which is a warm buff yellow. Contrasts beautifully.

Floral Park Jewel. The most beautiful Dahlia in cultivation. Flowers of many colors, from deep maroon to blush white, including beautiful spotted in variegated forms, are borne in great profusion on the same plant at the same time. In fact, a plant will hardly ever produce two flowers alike. Blush-white, crimson-maroon, white suffused with maroon, maroon suffused with white, crimson-red, purple spotted, marked or marbled with white, spotted, marbled and striped with maroon, pink or crimson, or several colors suffused in an odd and irregular way. Often one-half of the flower will be white and the other half maroon, or the center white while the outer half will be deep crimson maroon. The exceeding beauty of a plant loaded with flowers and each one of a different color, can be better imagined than described. The blossoms are perfectly double, large and of perfect shape, and borne by the hundred.

Camelliaflora. Very distinct; unlike any other white Dahlia whatever. Plant, a robust grower, with the long stemmed flowers poised high above it and around it like snow-white birds just ready to alight. Flowers of alabaster whiteness, with long-toothed and quilled petals, their shape perfection. It is easily the very finest white Dahlia in cultivation.

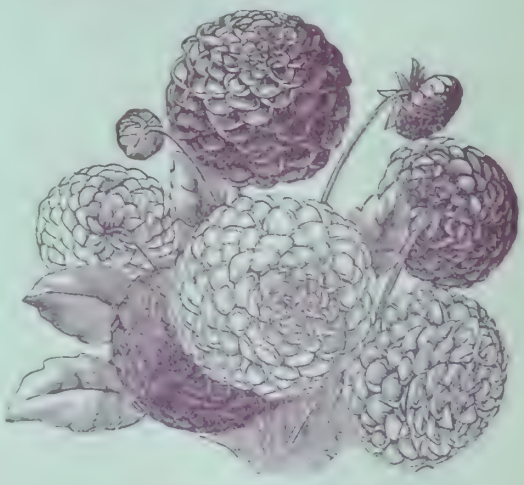
Livonia. Much like Camelliaflora, except the flower stems are not quite so long, and the color of the large, perfect blossoms is a soft, sweet, sea-shell pink, a color as rare as it is beautiful.

Fire King. Superb, immense flowers of the deepest scarlet, glowing like fire. An early bloomer, and every flower is perfection itself.

Jamaica. An enormous flower, like Fire King, but of a bright magenta-red color. One of the very largest and best Dahlias ever seen.

Emperor. Flower of gigantic size, petals wide, shape perfect, double to the very center, and a great bloomer. Color is a fine coal-black, odd and beautiful beyond conception. This new Dahlia is one of the sensations of the day.

Double Floret. A grand Dahlia which may be said to be a *double double*, as it has two florets in place of one, one snugly rolled inside the other. The flower is therefore more perfectly double than any other, and is a great beauty. Color, rosy scarlet.



BELLE OF SPRINGFIELD

Dahlia Seed.

Blooms elegantly the first summer. All colors and varieties, often giving better satisfaction and more bloom than roots. For full list of Dahlia seed, see page 50.

Large Flowering, All Colors, Mixed. Packet, 20c.

Cannas.

These are now the most popular and most magnificent of all summer blooming plants for brilliant bedding and massing. Many also, like Star of 1891 and '92, are among the very finest of all pot plants, either for summer or winter blooming. The following are the very best of the many sorts now before the public.

Star of 1891. Introduced by us five years ago, and is still the finest of all dwarf-flowering Cannas, especially for pot culture. As a pot plant for blooming, both summer and winter, this Canna is a novelty of immense importance. It has already become recognized as the most valuable and important flowering plant among those who know it. It is utterly impossible to have a plant which is more easily grown or more effective in bloom. The enormous panicles of flowers which are borne continually even on plants only a foot or two in height, and in small pots, is indeed marvelous, and the intense color of the blossoms makes such plants objects of the most effective beauty. We honestly believe it to be the finest of all winter-blooming plants, flowering as it does the year through without intermission, and as a garden flower nothing can surpass it.

Alphonse Bouvier. Grows 3½ feet high, with rich luxuriant foliage and enormous panicles of great wide-petaled flowers, which are of the darkest and richest blood vermilion color. One of the very finest, both for pots and the garden.

Paul Marquant. 3½ feet high, fine healthy grower, flowers very large and borne in large panicles. Color very peculiar, being sort of a salmon shaded red. No other color like it among Cannas. A superb sort.

Suzzoni. A superb sort, 3½ feet high, with enormous blossoms which are of the finest canary yellow, freely spotted pale scarlet. Petals exceedingly wide and of great substance. There is no Canna more beautiful than this, especialy for the open ground. It is simply grand.

Mad. Crozy. As beautiful as Star of '91, but a taller, ranker grower. Flowers large, very bright scarlet, with a wide margin of gold around each petal. A truly superb sort; none better, particularly for the garden.

Ehemanni. (Fuchsia-Flowered Canna). It seems as though every merit that can belong to a plant is justly claimed for this grand Canna. It is far ahead of any other Canna in its sub-tropical effect. Its wide Banana-like leaves are grand beyond description; its stately sweeping habit perfection itself. To crown it all its great drooping spikes of trumpet-shaped, Fuchsia-like flowers are very striking above the rich, clear green of the undulating foliage, and they stand the hottest sun without withering. Color, lovely rosy scarlet.

Queen Charlotte. A magnificent variety with large scarlet petals widely bordered with gold. In fact the flower is about evenly divided between these two brilliant colors. No better sort yet introduced.

Golden Star. Very dwarf, like Star of 1891, with large panicles of bright golden color. By far the finest and purest yellow Canna yet seen.

Alba Grandiflora. The nearest to a white of any Canna, and is now offered for the first time. Flowers large, petals wide and pearly white, shading to pink in the center. A combination of color which is most delicate and charming, and unlike any other sort.

Florence Vaughan. The queen of the fancy spotted varieties. Flowers of enormous size, petals exceedingly broad and of perfect shape. Color bright canary yellow thickly spotted with vivid scarlet. So bright and distinct is this color that it appears to have been laid on with a brush.

PRICE

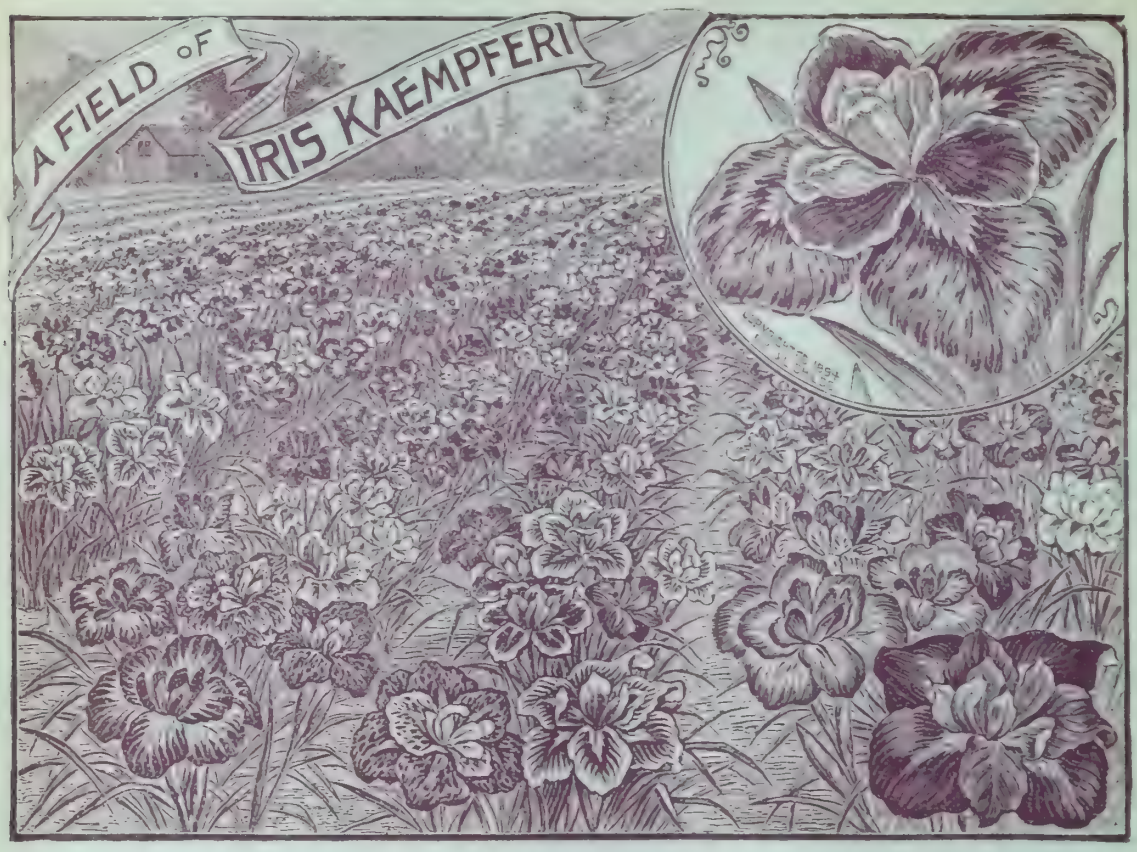
Of above Ten Grandest Flowering Cannas, 25c. each; three for 60c.; the ten for $1.80. Any variety, dozen, $2.00.

Canna Seed.

Cannas grow readily from seed and bloom in a few months. We can supply seed of Crozy's Dwarf Flowering, all colors, mixed, from finest named varieties, at 20c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 50c. For other Cannas see page 46.

New Canna, Black Beauty.

A sort with large luxuriant leaves which are of a maroon black color, and highly ornamental. 40c. each.



New Double Iris Kaempferi.

A wood cut of this size cannot properly show these new Iris, therefore we have prepared a magnificent stipple lithograph in 18 colors, size 16x33 inches, eight times larger than this page, and showing flowers in natural size and colors. It is a magnificent picture, and we will supply it in rollers by mail, free of charge, if 10c. is sent to pay cost of packing and postage. Write for it at once and get your friends to do the same. When seen, everybody will want it.

These new Iris from Japan rival the lily in stateliness, the pæony in majestic beauty, the orchid in marvelous delicacy and blending of colors, the chrysanthemum in profusion, and surpasses almost every plant in the size and kingly magnificence of its flowers. Think of a plant sending up to the height of three feet a dozen flower spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight or ten inches across and of the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings and combinations. Think of a bed of all colors, white, indigo, violet, lavender, mauve, sky-blue, royal purple, blush, yellow, etc. Your imagination can conceive of nothing grander, and when you see them you will realize that they are infinitely more grand and beautiful than your imagination could portray. Such are these new double Iris Kaempferi, the king of hardy perennial plants. Once planted in your garden they are a joy for a lifetime without further care, blooming profusely in June and July, during which time they are the greatest attraction your garden or lawn can contain. We have about one hundred fine named varieties recently imported from Japan, among the best of which are the following. These Iris received highest award at the World's Fair.

Believing that the public do not realize the beauty and value of these new Iris, which are really among the grandest and most fascinatingly beautiful of all flowers, we here offer 28 of the finest varieties at a price which we hope will tempt all to plant them.

Beauty. Light silvery lilac, veined purple blue. Dwarf habit, large flower.

Blue Jay. Dwarf habit, large flower; fine azure blue freely veined and mottled white. Extra fine.

Charmer. Lovely light blue, with white center and veins. Large and handsome.

Eclair. Lovely pure white. Extra large and fine.

Mahogany. Very large flower, deep mahogany red.

Cold Bound. Tall and showy with flowers of enormous size, probably the most beautiful of all. Pure snow-white with large gold-banded center.

Hannibal. Light blue freely veined deep blue. Yellow center.

Mt. Fell. Grayish white, finely veined celestial blue with blue and yellow center.

Mt. Hood. Light blue shaded darker. Bright orange center.

Orion. Tall and strikingly handsome; pure white, each petal having a wide border of lilac red; very distinct.

Pyramid. Tall and showy, flower very large; light violet blue with slight white veins.

P. C. De Rohan. Purplish blue, shaded violet, with red at center. Fine large flower.

Robert Craig. Tall and very large; French white, shaded with violet toward center; extra fine.

St. Ogg. Purplish blue shaded indigo, yellow markings.

Victor. Fine porcelain blue, veined.

Price, 15c. each; four for 50c.; the fifteen for $1.50.

Mixtures. Fine mixed Double Iris Kaempferi, more than 100 varieties, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c.; 15 for $1.00.

SINGLE VARIETIES

We offer ten rarely beautiful single varieties from Japan. They are exquisite.

Blue Bird. Clear dark blue.

Como. Reddish amaranth with large white center.

Ondine. Magnificent large wavy petals, pure white shadowed light blue. Exquisite.

Shadow. Enormous wavy petals, dark indigo blue with peacock lustre and golden center. Grand.

Snowbound. Large pure white, with golden bands in each petal. Exquisite.

Granite. Grayish white, overlaid fine blue.

Souvenir. Lovely rose pink, with satin gloss and delicate blue veins.

Violet Cap. Pure white, veined and suffused dark blue.

Neptune. Reddish gray, freely veined.

Quakeress. Light lavender, tinged rose.

Price of above rare single varieties, 15c. each; the ten for $1.00.

Fine Mixed Single Varieties, *twenty-two kinds, 10c. each; three for 25c.; twelve for $1.00.*

THREE ELEGANT NEW SORTS.

These three new Iris Kaempferi are now offered for the first time. They are grand.

Mrs. C. T. Saxton. Pure white, enormous size and triple extra double. The finest double variety.

Senator Lexow. Enormous flower like Shadow, but much larger; great wavy petals a foot across. Indigo blue.

Spotted Beauty. Large size, very double; silky white freely and finely spotted with violet crimson.

Price, 25c. each; the three for 75c.

Choice Lilies.

The brush cannot paint or the pen portray the exquisite purity and delicacy, yet magnifident grandeur of the stately Lily. It is the plus ultra of floral beauty, and we urge our friends to each year add a few Lilies to their collection. No other flower will so adorn our homes when in bloom, and they constantly improve after planting. We feel sure if our readers could see a good collection of from 20 to 40 different sorts in bloom, they would never rest until they had a goodly number of their own. As a rule, Lilies are of the easiest culture, especially the following, which have been carefully selected as the very hardiest, handsomest and best. *Each*

Auratum (THE GOLDEN BANDED LILY OF JAPAN). We offer fine large bulbs of these at prices so low everybody can plant them freely. $1.50 per dozen..... 20

Elegans. Grand, large, tulip-shaped blossoms of many shades and colors. The umbels of upright, cup-like flowers are very pleasing. Among the earliest of all Lilies to bloom. Mixed, many fine colors, $1.00 dozen. 10

E. Bicolor. A very showy early Lily. Large flowers of a bright red flushed with orange, Striking..... 10

E. Leonard Joerg. Light yellow, spotted black; grand. 15

Longiflorum. Long trumpets of purest white. Flower large, but plant quite low in growth. Very fragrant. 15

Pardalinum (LEOPARD LILY). Rich scarlet and yellow flowers, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. Succeeds in all situations. No garden complete without it..... 15

Tenuifolium (THE CORAL LILY OF SIBERIA). A little beauty. The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 inches high, with finely cut foliage, slender stems and beautifully shaped flowers of a shining coral red..... 20

Tigrinum, fl. pl. (DOUBLE TIGER LILY). A duplicate of the old Tiger Lily, but with very double flowers of beautiful orange red spotted with black. Superb.... 10

Tigrinum Splendens (IMPROVED TIGER LILY). Bright orange, thickly spotted black. As hardy as an oak.. 10

Speciosum Rubrum (LANCIFOLIUM). Large white flowers, recurving more or less at the tips. Among the showiest of all Lilies and perhaps the most robust and the most radiantly beautiful. Very fragrant and hardy. Lovely rose and white, spotted crimson..... 15

S. Monstrosum Album. A variety of the above, with broad, flat stems and immense heads of white flowers, often fifty in a cluster..... 20

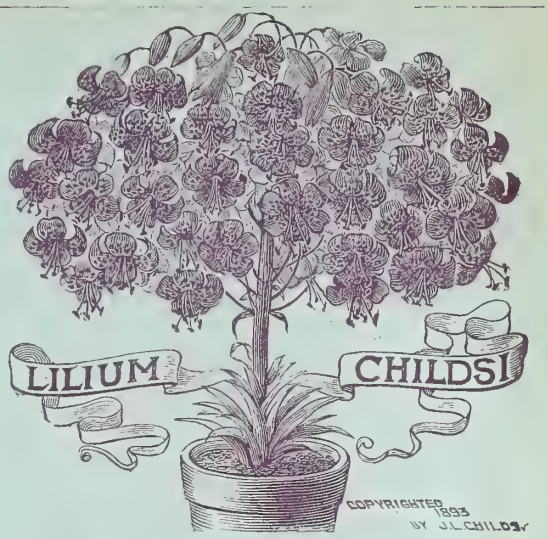
S. Melpomene. Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted white, spotted, clouded and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered. Exceedingly fine..... 50

S. Praecox. Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white, with a tinge of blush at the tip of petals. The plush-like fringe in each petal adds to its beauty..... 30

Umbellatum. Twenty-five finest sorts mixed. Cup-shaped flowers, resembling Elegans. Robust growers and great bloomers. They range through buff, apricot, rose, crimson, yellow, etc., to almost black, many sorts being finely spotted. Per dozen, $1.00.... 15

Wallacei. Very floriferous, hardy and showy; bright apricot blossoms, large, erect and beautiful. Each bulb sends up many stems which bear several of the lovely blossoms in an umbel..... 10

SPECIAL OFFER. *For only $1.50 we will send the above fifteen Grand Lilies, which amount to $2.65.*



Rare Lilies.

The following rare and high-priced Lilies we can supply at the moderate prices named. All extra large and fine bulbs. *Each*

Auratum Macranthum. This grand variety of L. Auratum produces bulbs of great size which throw up a growth of remarkable strength and vigor. The flowers are pure ivory white, with a golden band through each petal, and numerous golden yellow spots..... 75

Auratum Rubro Vittatum. Flowers of enormous size, pure snow white thickly spotted with crimson and with a wide dark blood-red band through the center of each petal. Its great beauty is a marvel to all. 1 00

Auratum Virginale. Pure white, with gold band and spots. No crimson or other colors appearing..... 75

Brownii. A grand Lily, but very rare. The large, wax-like flowers are chocolate purple on the outside, snowy white inside. Stamens a rich chocolate brown. Blossoms large and trumpet-shaped..... 60

Childsi. The plant grows only ten inches high, a pyramid of luxuriant foliage, crowned with a cluster of 30 to 50 brilliant blossoms. These are of large size, perfect shape and in color brilliant orange-scarlet, spotted black. The effect produced by this crown of flowers set on a tuft of dark green leaves is very pleasing and not to be found elsewhere among Lilies. As a pot plant it is a perfect gem, and for the garden even more valuable. It is hardy and robust..... 1 00

Coridion. Very peculiar shape. Star-like flowers of a clear, rich yellow. Fine..... 20

Concolor. Like above, but bright scarlet instead of yellow. Both are exquisite gems..... 20

Excelsum. One of the finest Lilies. A tall grower, with large, handsome, nodding flowers of pinkish apricot. Flowers wax-like, and very distinct in appearance. 60

Humboldti. Orange yellow blossoms of peculiar beauty. 30

Krameri. A rare Japanese Lily closely allied to Auratum. Growth slender, flowers very large, Auratum-shaped and of the most superb tint of color, being a delicate rosy pink, so soft, delicate and exquisite as to be utterly indescribable. No Lily superior to this. 35

Leichtlini. The most popular yellow Lily, though very scarce. Flowers large, lemon yellow with few black spots. Stately and grand..... 75

Midnight (ELEG.) The rare and beautiful Black Lily. Blooms early; large, rich crimson-black..... 50

Parryi. One of the very rarest, choicest and most beautiful of all Lilies. Elegant for pot culture as well as for the garden. Flowers partly trumpet-shaped, like Harrisi, and of a golden yellow color, very deep and glossy. Exceedingly fragrant and blooms early..... 75

Speciosum Opal. We had thought that no specimen could exceed Melpomene, but this new Lily is even larger, grander and, if possible, more richly colored. Like the opal, for which it is named, the eye drinks in its lovely tints with delight. To say that it is frosted, glistening, white, delicately clouded and suffused with rosy blush and spotted with rosy scarlet, is to convey but a slight idea of its perfect loveliness. The deeply recurving petals are snowy white at the tip, gradually deepening in color to the base of each petal which is blotched with a raised, moss-like fringe which glistens like diamonds. The flower is very large, and the plant robust and hardy..... 1 00

Takesima. A beautiful variety of L. Longiflorum, with large white blossoms tinted with purple..... 25

SPECIAL OFFER. *One each of above fifteen Rare Lilies, worth $9.00, for $6.50.*

RARE WATER PLANTS.

If you have never done so before, do not fail to have a tub or two of water plants this summer. It will be a source of enjoyment to yourself and your friends all the season. Such plants as the Water Hyacinth, Aponogeton, Water Poppy and Parrot's Feather, may, of course, be grown in small pans in the window or on a veranda with other plants.

The Water Hyacinth.

The translucent delicacy of the Water Hyacinth's tints, and its sparkling, frost-like crystallization of texture can not be caught by the artist's brush or pictured to the reader's imagination by cold type. In every sense it is a peculiar and beautiful plant. Each plant is a rosette-like cluster of smooth, round green leaves, to each of which is attached a singular puffed bladder like petiole or leaf-stalk that enables the plant to float like a boat, until the mass of feathery indigo-blue roots—themselves a notable feature in this plant—find mooring to their full notion and send anchoring roots into the soil below. When the long full spikes of superlatively beautiful flowers appear, no praise can be too high for them. Each flower in the spike is the size of a silver dollar, a blending of lilac-rose and azure blue tints, with the upper and slightly hooded petal blotched a deep metallic blue, with golden spot in the center, and sparkling in the sun as though sprinkled with diamond dust. Grows well in small vessels in the window, or in tubs, or pools out of doors. Blooms best in full sun, no matter how hot it may be. It is an odd, curious, and wonderfully beautiful plant, and all lovers of rare flowers should have it. Fine plants for blooming soon, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Nymphæa.

Lovely Pond Lilies of which everyone is so fond. Many of the new foreign varieties grow and bloom from seed the first year, and among them there is a great variety of colors, white, yellow, blue, purple, etc. Seed should be sown in a pan or saucer of mud, just covered with water. In a warm temperature they will germinate quickly.

Zanzibarensis. The grand day-blooming African Water Lily, with enormous incurved flowers of the most exquisite coloring, and so profuse blooming that a tub of them is never without flowers from early summer until frost. They grow so rapidly that they will bloom in ten weeks from seed. Give them a very rich soil, full sun, and shallow water to start in. Seed should be sown on the surface of cups of soil, covered with tepid water. Of this exquisite Lily there are two colors, blue and purple-red. We can supply seed of the two, mixed, at 25c. per packet.

Marliacea Chromatella. In our opinion this is the most lovely of all Water Lilies. It will commence blooming in May and show flowers every day until October. It will thrive in a pond, stream, pool, or even a water pail, and bloom well. Perfectly hardy. Flowers large and double, and of the most lovely chrome yellow shade ever seen. It has a delicacy and beauty unequaled by any other sort. Leaves large and very handsome. Fine plants for blooming at once, 75c. each.

Mexicana (GOLDEN WATER LILY). A lovely golden yellow Pond Lily, much like Odorata except in color. The leaves also show a brown variegation over the ground work of green. Very fragrant and profuse, blooming all summer. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Odorata Gigantea. We do not offer the common Pond Lily Nymphæa Odorata, as this new form has all of its exquisite beauty and fragrance, together with double its size and more deeply cupped flowers. The lovely center of quivering golden stamens, so much admired in the old Pond Lily, is more than twice as large in this variety, giving it a very distinct and charming appearance, its waxen, white flowers, six to eight inches across, being indescribably pure and lovely. It blooms from early till late, much more freely than the common sort. Fine plants, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 5 for $1.00.

Dentata (NIGHT-BLOOMING STAR LILY). There is nothing among water plants finer than this. Opens about eight o'clock in the evening and closes at noon the next day. It has flat, star-like blossoms of a lovely pearly-white, and is very fragrant. Flowers from 6 to 12 inches across, and blooms freely from seed the first season. Seed, 25c. per packet.

Aponogeton Distachyon.

A new perpetual-blooming aquatic plant of peculiar beauty and delicious fragrance. It is a near relative to the ordinary Pond Lily, but its flowers are entirely different, and we can compare them to nothing more appropriate than an alligator's head with open mouth. They are pure white, toothed inside and spotted with black. They have a strong, delicious, pond-lily fragrance. The leaves are long and narrow and float upon the water, while the flowers are raised slightly above it. This is a plant which can be conveniently grown in a small tub or vessel of any kind, and it is a perpetual bloomer, being never without flowers, when in a growing condition, both summer and winter. It is exceedingly rare, and we believe has not before been offered to the general public. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Parrot's Feather.

A lovely mossy water plant, with long trailing stems covered with plumy, feathery foliage of the freshest, loveliest green imaginable. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Water Poppy.

A thrifty plant with pretty, cheerful blossoms of a bright lemon color, large size, and produced freely all summer. Can be grown in tub, bucket or pond with the greatest of ease. It is exceedingly showy, owing to its size, pretty color and great masses of bloom. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Nelumbium or Lotus.

Speciosum. The Egyptian or Sacred Lotus, one of the grandest of all water plants, thriving in rich mud and shallow water, throwing up great clumps that stand three to six feet above the water. Enormous round, slightly dished leaves, one to two feet across; while above these are borne the gigantic double pink flowers, each one ten to twelve inches across. Reaches the largest size in leaf and bloom in still ponds, but do well in tubs or tanks. Blooms from July until frost, and is perfectly hardy if the roots reach below frost. Tub plants can be wintered in cellar. Seed, 40c. per pkt.; plants, $1.25 each.

Luteum. Much like Speciosum, with great bowl-like blooms of a rich creamy or sulphur yellow. Seed 20c. per pkt.; plants, 75c. each.

Album. Lovely pure white; very rare and beautiful. Fine plants, $1.50 each.

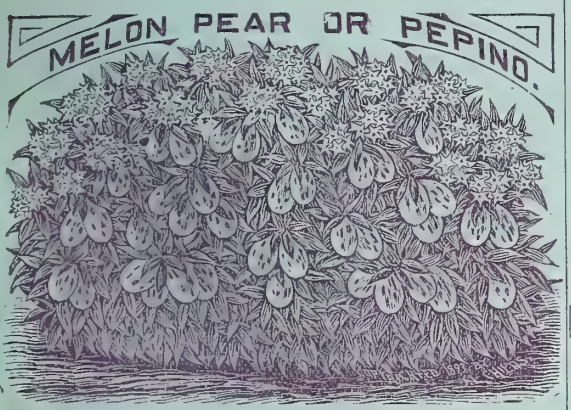
CHOICE TROPICAL FRUITS.

The following fruits are well adapted to pot culture and make unique and highly satisfactory pot plants. Anyone will be successful with them who can grow a Geranium.

Figs.

A popular and easily kept tub plant that will beautify the lawn or veranda all summer and winter safely in the cellar. Good growers, with a luxuriant growth of large, wide leaves, and bearing at a year old an abundance of sweet, pulpy fruit, unsurpassed for eating fresh. They are also very fine for preserving or pickling, or to dry. South of the Middle States can be grown in the open ground. Here on Long Island they are hardy out-doors if protected during winter. Nothing is more luscious than Figs fresh from the tree, especially when eaten with cream, like Strawberries.

Brown Turkey. Large, oblong, dark brown; rich and delicious flavor; very productive, often bearing three crops in a season. A two-year-old tree of this sort bore over two hundred fine figs this season. Best Fig for pots. 30c. each.



Melon Pear, or Pepino.

A rapid-growing, dark-leaved plant, blooming when quite small. The fruit is the size and shape of a goose egg, and very handsome; in color a pale lemon mottled with waves of bright violet. Inside the fruit resembles a pear, and tastes something like a banana, but is much sweeter and juicier. Very ornamental when in flower and fruit. An elegant pot plant; also fine for the garden. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Banana Cavendishi.

Cavendishi is the finest Banana for pot culture, as it is dwarf and does not grow over five or six feet high and fruits splendidly. The leaves are borne in a palm-like crown or cluster, each leaf three to five feet long and two feet broad, of a clear shining green, mottled and spattered with blood-red in the most pleasing manner. This is even finer than Musa Ensette as a decorative plant. The most beautiful foliage plant that can be grown outside of a hothouse. Grand for bedding out in summer, or for conservatory or warm window decoration. Can be kept unwatered in a warm cellar over winter, if there is no room for it in the window. 75c. each.

The Strawberry Guava.

A beautiful pot plant, with shining evergreen foliage that resembles Camellia leaves, and handsome fruit nearly the size of a walnut, and of a fine strawberry-like flavor. The fruit makes the finest and most nutritious jelly that there is and blooms and fruits continuously the year around. It must be considered as useful as ornamental. A very heavy bearer, and the fruit is very handsome. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Mixed Flower Seeds, 50 Kinds.

People who wish a great variety of flowers at small cost will do well to plant a packet of this seed. It is a mixture of fifty different kinds, all the best sorts, and those which grow and bloom freely. It will make a brilliant and attractive bed. Large pkt., 10c.; 6 pkts., 50c.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

Our 50c. Flower Garden.

A Complete Flower Garden of 10 pkts. Choice Seed and 25 Bulbs for only 50 Cents, as follows:

10 pkts. Choice Flower Seeds, our selection, including Balsam, Pansy, Verbena, Phlox, etc. 6 Gladiolus Mixed, 1 Gladiolus Lemoinei, 1 Tuberose, 1 Fairy Lily, 12 Oxalis Mixed, 1 Lily, 1 Madeira Vine, 1 Cinnamon Vine, and 1 Zephyranthes. A superb collection as a present to children or friends.

Our Choice $1.00 Collections.

We pride ourselves on the following Collections, for in each case we select only the very finest varieties, just the ones we would choose for our own private garden, and knowing all varieties so well enables us to send only such as prove under all conditions to be the best. If any of our customers do not know what to select for themselves, these collections will benefit them greatly.

20 pkts. Choice Flower Seeds for $1.00. Our selection, but all to be of recent introduction, and the very cream of our large assortment.

20 pkts. Choice Vegetable Seeds for $1.00. Our selection, but all to be of the newer and finer sorts. In fact, the choicest collection of vegetables we can make up.

10 Choice Plants for $1.00. Our selection; the very best of recent introductions, and suitable for a window, where only the best are desired.

10 Choice Flowering Bulbs for $1.00. Our selection, but an extra fine assortment of the newer and improved Bulbs for summer flowering in the garden.

The Four Collections for $3.00. *Enough to make a beautiful and complete Family Garden.*

A Rare Fruit Collection.

For only $1.00 we will send by mail, postpaid, three each of the following rare new fruits:

3 Tree Blackberry, **3 Japanese Wineberry,**
3 Lucretia Dewberry, **3 Mayberry.**

Ten Fine Grape Vines for $1.00.

This is ten of the finest varieties; strong two-year-old vines. Sent by mail or express for only $1.00. For list of varieties see page 130.

A Great Offer of

SHRUBS AND HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS.

To close out a quantity of large Shrubs which will after this season be too large to be sold, we make this remarkable offer: For only $2.00 we will send by express ten large beautiful Shrubs, ten fine sorts named, ready for immediate effect. The selection must be left to us, but they will be all fine varieties, and some of them very rare. These large Shrubs would cost 50 cents to $1.50 each at most nurseries.

In like manner we will express ten large clumps of HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS, ten fine sorts, our selection, for $1.50; or for $3.00 we will send the ten Shrubs and the ten Perennial Plants. Improve this opportunity.

SPECIAL ONE DOLLAR COLLECTIONS.

We offer a surplus stock of the following lovely hardy plants. At prices named our customers can afford to plant them freely for large show beds. Sent only by express.

50 German Iris, 25 finest sorts mixed, for	$1 00
20 Kaempferi Iris, finest sorts mixed, for	1 00
20 Dicentra Spectabilis, fine clumps, for	1 00
20 Day Lilies, fine clumps, for	1 00
20 Hemerocallis Flava, fine clumps, for	1 00
20 Spirea Ulmania, fl. pl., fine clumps, for	1 00
20 Calliopsis Lanceolata, fine clumps, for	1 00
15 Eulalias, 3 sorts, fine clumps, for	1 00
10 Pæonies, mixed colors, fine clumps, for	1 00

Furcraea.

A new plant which grows from a bulb, as shown in cut. It has lovely Dracaena-like foliage and is as ornamental as a fine Palm, growing in time to great size and sending up flower stems ten feet high with hundreds of Tuberose-like blossoms. A most beautiful pot plant. 25c. each; 3 for 60c

Eletteria Cardamomum.

A plant little known and hardly in cultivation in this country, but one of great beauty and usefulness. The leaves have a highly aromatic fragrance, which is very fine, especially for scenting clothes or working into bouquets or vases of flowers. The seeds are also highly aromatic, and when taken in the mouth have a pleasant taste and add a delicious fragrance to the breath. For this purpose they are often sold at high prices. The foliage of the plant is in itself highly ornamental, to say nothing of its fragrance, but when in bloom it is indeed charming. It blooms during the fall or early winter. Flowers white, borne in spikes, and closely resembling some of the most beautiful Orchids, and last for weeks before fading. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SWAINSONIA.

SWAINSONIA, or Swanflower.

A NEW PLANT for pot or window culture which surpasses any novelty that has been brought out in many years. In fact, it will be hard to name a plant now in cultivation which can equal it in beauty and general good qualities. It has a most beautiful fern-like foliage and blooms perpetually every day in the year, its blossoms being the shape and nearly the size of Sweet Peas, and borne in great clusters of twenty to forty. These clusters appear at the axils of the leaves, and a single branch shows many clusters of bloom at all times. The plant is a free and rapid grower, beginning to bloom in three or four weeks from cuttings, and continuing for years. It is easier to grow and manage than a Geranium, thriving in any soil and in any window, and is a superb bedding plant for the garden in summer. We believe there is no plant so easy to grow, or one that thrives and blooms under all conditions as does this charming Swanflower. As for beauty, one can only appreciate its wonderful loveliness when one sees the long, wavy branches clothed with its exquisite foliage, among which is mingled in such profusion the great clusters of red or white blossoms. Even then one can not describe its peculiar charm any more than he can the enchanting loveliness of the rarest Orchids, and we can compare its charms only to that flower. We offer two colors, fine plants for blooming at once :

PURE WHITE—Large, milky white ; exquisite—30c. each ; four for $1.00.

DEEP RED—Fine dark red, with large white blotches on wings. This superb variety is offered now for the first time—40c. each ; three for $1.00.

SPECIAL OFFER.—One Plant Each of the Two Sorts for 50 Cents.

OUR GREAT PAINTINGS.

We hope that not one of our customers will fail to order these two pictures. They are well worth $1.00 each, and many have been sold for that price by people who paid only ten cents for them. The ten cents which we charge does not represent their value, only the cost of packing and mailing them, we giving the painting free as an accompaniment to this Catalogue. There was never anything produced in floral art which can compare in magnificence to them.

GREAT PAINTING OF GLADIOLUS CHILDSI.

A most beautiful picture, in eighteen colors, 16x33 inches, showing in natural size and color several spikes of this grand new race of Gladiolus (Childsi). It is a magnificent picture, and is acknowledged to be the finest thing ever produced in floral art. It is well worth a dollar. Everybody who sees it wants it, and many people are making money by selling them at fifty cents and one dollar each. Sent on receipt of ten cents, to pay postage and packing.

GLORIOUS PAINTING OF IRIS KÆMPFERI.

A companion picture to Gladiolus Childsi, size 16x33, in eighteen colors, showing thirteen varieties of the double Iris Kæmpferi in natural colors. It is useless to attempt to describe the beauty of this loveliest of all floral paintings. The great flaming blossoms in their loveliest tints stand out in all their silken lustre and charm the eye with their matchless beauty. Sent by mail, postpaid, on receipt of ten cents, to pay postage and packing.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 15 Cents we will send One Each of these Two Elegant Pictures.

LITHO BY H.M.WALL, BROOKLYN, N.Y.

SELECT FLOWER SEEDS.

The ordinary commercial grades of flower seeds, such as are usually sold, can be and are sold at a very low price, yet at a great profit. They are grown and harvested in large crops, much like grain. They are produced cheaply, sold cheaply, and are, in fact, cheap in every sense of the word; and he who sows them has no right to complain at their poor quality. They cannot possibly be anything else. Seed of high quality can be produced only by thorough, careful, painstaking and expensive methods. We do not offer our customers the ordinary commercial grades of seed. Our stocks are special strains of special varieties bred up to the highest mark of perfection and selected with great care, and for this reason we grow and offer but a limited number of varieties—only those which are of the greatest merit and sure to give satisfaction everywhere. The very best varieties, bred up to an unequal mark of perfection, has made our seeds known the world over as the finest to be had. A visit to Floral Park during the summer months will convince any one of their great superiority.

For the best summer display the garden is dependent upon that class of flowers known as Annuals, which are grown from seed sown every spring. There are thousands of varieties of them, some good, some indifferent, but the great majority are poor, or in some respects unsatisfactory and not desirable for general cultivation. With a view to offering our customers only the very best varieties, those which cannot fail to produce good results in every part of the country, we have for years carefully grown, tested and selected to ascertain which sorts possessed superior merits. The list here presented is the result of our labors. It contains the very best of all sorts and all which are really and generally desirable. We might offer one hundred varieties of Asters or fifty varieties of Balsams, Phloxes, Poppies, etc., but there would be no advantage in so doing. On the other hand it would be a decided disadvantage, for our customers might therefor fail to select the best kinds.

CULTURE: As a rule, annuals may be sown in the open ground about corn-planting time, or they may be started in the house or in hot-beds earlier and transplanted to the garden when danger of frost is over. A rather light and moderately rich soil, thoroughly spaded, is most desirable. Do not grow the plants too thick. Keep the weeds down and the surface of the soil well stirred with a hoe or rake during the summer, especially if the weather is dry. Very pretty effects are produced by massing different colors. Straight or circular rows of different colors side by side are effective. Yet in Asters, Phloxes, Poppies, Zinnias, Verbenas, etc., a mixture of all colors is always showy and pleasing, and this is the most popular way of growing them.

Antirrhinum.

This is the "Snap Dragon" of old, though so much improved that you would scarcely know it. It is a hardy perennial, flowering freely the first summer. The dwarf sorts form bushy, compact plants, which bear a mass of large brilliant flowers in short, compact spikes and of a great variety of dazzling colors. Beautiful for pots as well as for the garden, and grows readily from cuttings. Per pkt.

Tall Mixed. Rich colors of all shades..... 5
Dwarf Mixed. Dwarf, compact growth..... 5
Tom Thumb. Mixed colors, the finest of all Snap Dragons, growing only eight inches high; flowers large, colors very brilliant, orange, scarlet, yellow, maroon, white, rose, striped, etc..... 10
Tom Thumb Striatum. Striped varieties of above..... 10

Anchusa Capensis.

A rare and little-known annual of great beauty. It is a life-long favorite with everyone who grows it. It grows two feet high, and will thrive in a shady or out-of-the-way place where scarcely anything else will grow. It resembles a large, beautiful Forget-me-not, though much finer in every respect, especially for bouquets and cut flowers. Color a most lovely shade of deep, clear, brilliant blue, with a pure white center. It blooms early, and continues all summer..... 10

Ageratum.

One of the most useful and profuse-blooming plants known. Its very name, "Ageratum," meaning ever-young, refers to its ever being in bloom and to the long time each flower remains in beauty. A single head of Ageratum will remain fresh and perfect for a month in the open air, and from six weeks to three months in the window or greenhouse, where not exposed to storm and wind. Not even the Petunia will give a greater quantity of bloom or last longer in flower. This makes the Ageratum almost indispensable either in the house or garden. The new dwarf varieties are very bushy and compact in habit, and exactly suited for edging, carpet-bedding, etc. Give light, rich soil. No trouble whatever to grow. Per pkt.

Little Gem. A beautiful border variety. A sheet of delicate blue flowers the whole season, and very compact in growth..... 5
Little Dorrit. Much like the above, but *white* flowered, best of its color..... 5
Lasseauxi. Compact plant with charming rose-colored flowers. An unusual shade..... 5
Swanley Blue. Flowers of a beautiful azure blue. Good bedder, and extra fine for the house in winter..... 5
Canary. Compact in habit, light canary yellow in color. A very novel shade in these flowers..... 10

One packet each of the five sorts, 25c.

ASTERS

Asters.

The acknowledged queen of autumn annuals. Indispensable for the flower garden, fine as a show plant for fairs and exhibitions, and charming pot plants. Very profuse bloomers, with exceedingly beautiful flowers of most exquisite colors and almost perfect form. There are several forms of Asters, some being imbricated like a Rose, some loose and globular like a Peony, while others are partly incurved like the Chrysanthemum. In regard to height, they are classified as tall, half-dwarf, and dwarfs. The tall varieties are fine for the center of large beds and for cutting, as their flowers are borne on long stems; the dwarfs are particularly fine for borders or for masses of one color, as they are so compact and bloom so profusely as to seem like so many bouquets set in the ground; the semi-dwarf are good for all purposes and extra fine for pot culture.

It is a good plan to make two or more successive sowings, two weeks apart, to prolong the season of bloom; seeds can be sown in hotbed or house and afterwords transplanted; or they can be sown in open ground. In hot, dry weather, mulch liberally with manure, or coarse litter, and do not let them suffer for water. Our list of varieties is a fine one. There is not a poor sort among them all. Per pkt.

New Rose. Tall sort, about two feet in height. One of the very best varieties, and a profuse bloomer. Outer petals are fully recurved, and inner petals beautifully incurved and imbricated like the Rose. Mixed colors. A favorite sort..... 10

New Rose, Pure White. Pure pearly white, exquisite for cutting or wearing..... 10

New Rose, Dark Red. Very rich, clear color..... 10

New Rose, Blue. A beautiful shade of clear blue. The white, red, and blue sorts are admirable for ribbon bedding, contrasting admirably with each other. 10

Truffaut's Peony-Flowered. A [illegible] standard variety—the most perfect Peony-type known. Tall-growing, and bearing an enormous quantity of extra large double flowers, beautifully incurved and of every shade, from pure white to glowing crimson. Twenty colors, or more, mixed..... 10

Reine Des Halles. A French introduction of much merit. This Aster is of medium height, robust and free flowering and *three weeks earlier than any other variety known*. Mixed colors..... 10

Washington. Fine exhibition sort. A tall grower of pyramidal habit. The largest-flowered Aster on the list; fine form and splendid colors; extra fine. Mixed colors... 15

Dwarf Chrysanthemum-Flowered. Plants ten inches in height, perfect pyramids in bloom. Fine for edging, and especially valuable as a late bloomer. Mixed colors..... 10

Dwarf Bouquet. Very compact, but six to eight inches high, a mass of flowers from bottom to top. Mixed colors..... 10

Imbrique Pompon. Exquisite pompons of flowers, almost as round as a ball; medium height. Mixed colors..... 5

Giant Emperor. Tall grower and robust habit. Each stalk usually bears one very double flower of mammoth size. Showy. Mixed colors..... 10

Harlequin. One of the most curiously marked flowers grown. Lovely pure white petals, irregularly interspersed with deep blue or bright red petals, making bright splashes and stripes of color over the snowy groundwork. Mixed colors. Medium height. Very odd and very beautiful..... 10

Ball of Jewel. This is a new and distinct class of Aster of recent introduction. It differs from all others in two respects. The plants are very *short*, forming a compact blossom, which is as round as a ball. Extra fine..... 15

Per pkt.

Shakespeare. Dwarf variety, six inches in height. Novel shades of coloring, large globular flowers, and very floriferous. Mixed colors..... 10

Quilled German. Plants tall and branching; flowers beautifully quilled, and noted for the clearness of their colors. Profuse bloomers. Mixed colors..... 5

Victoria Needled. A favorite with those who are partial to quilled flowers. Flowers are formed of needle-like quills, large, freely produced, and show the fine coloring peculiar to the Victoria strains. Mixed colors... 10

Dwarf Victoria, Mixed Colors. Generally called the finest Aster grown. Equally good for bedding, pots, or exhibition. Plants one foot in height, the foliage almost hidden by the green plumy flowers, three or four inches in diameter, of the most beautiful form, and of the most exquisite colors to be found..... 20

White Wave. An extra fine white variety. Blossoms of fine shape, double to the center, and pearly-white. A profuse bloomer, and grand for bedding or for pots.. 15

Crimson Wave. Exactly like above, save color, which is a rich, clear crimson..... 15

Triumph. A favorite with all who grow it. This variety belongs to the peony-flowered type, and has beautifully incurved blossoms. Plants bear a profusion of large, perfect flowers, which are of a bright scarlet color as they begin to open, changing to a deep, rich, satiny blood-red or crimson as they fully expand. This is an extra fine sort for pot culture, and also most valuable for beds and borders..... 15

Lemon Gem. Not really a *yellow* Aster, but the nearest approach to that color. The flowers have a lovely, soft, lemon shade that is very peculiar and pleasing. The flowers are of large size, and profusely borne, and the plant is of dwarf habit..... 15

Multiflora. An Aster of medium height, with pretty and abundant flowers. Fine colors. Mixed shades.. 15

Mignon. Something like the White Victoria, but more profuse in bloom. Very double flowers with reflexed petals, and of the purest, snowiest white..... 10

Lilliput-Flowered. Plant of medium height, almost smothered beneath a cloud of tiny button-like flowers as double as anything well can be. A charming sort 5

Pygmae. A little gem. A very dwarf sort, bearing a profusion of pretty, bright flowers, which are as double and perfect as the larger sorts..... 10

Comet. New Asters of great beauty. The plants are tall and of much vigor, while the flowers are of such extraordinary size that they may without contest be said to be the largest of any Aster in existence. Flowers are formed of large twisted and curled petals, and look exactly like the most refined forms of Japanese Chrysanthemums. They must therefore take first place among Asters of unique beauty. Many colors, mixed..... 15

Comet, Giant White. Immense size, pure snow-white 15

SPECIAL OFFER.—*For $1.50 we will send one packet each of these twenty-seven superb Asters.*

AMBROSIA.

An old-fashioned annual, with long, round sprays of green foliage of very peculiar appearance. Its fine, spray-like foliage is very fragrant and exceedingly valuable to use in bouquets and all cut-flower work. One of the easiest of plants to grow, and its fragrance is most delicious and refreshing. This plant was well known years ago, but is now almost entirely out of cultivation, or was until we introduced it two years ago. Its long spiral sprays of foliage are very feathery and plume-like..... 10

Artemisia Gracilis.

Beautifully cut, feathery foliage of fine fragrance and great beauty. Its habit of growth is pyramidal, 4 to 5 feet high, and every branch is covered with a thick growth of fine feathery foliage, which is of the brightest emerald-green color. It is particularly adapted to cut-flower work, and all will find it useful and highly satisfactory. Sow seed in the open ground early. 10

Alyssum.

A favorite little annual, because of its fragrance and abundance of bloom. As easy to grow as any weed, and blooms from early summer until severe freezing weather in fall. Sow seed *very* early in open ground. Dainty little plants for hanging baskets or small pots. Good for cutting and button-hole bouquets. Per pkt.

Sweet. Racemes of small cruciform white flowers, honey-scented, and never out of bloom..... 5

Little Gem. An improved variety; much larger flowers of a pure white, and, if possible, more floriferous than the old Sweet. Plant is also more robust and spreading, a single plant forming a thick mat of flowers and foliage 12 to 15 inches across. **Three and four hundred spikes of flowers in full bloom can be counted on a good specimen plant at one time.** Indeed, **600** spikes have been counted on one plant.. 10

Argemone Grandiflora.

Our cut of this beautiful flower cannot do it justice, especially as the page is not large enough to show the flower natural size. The flower is of snowy whiteness, the center filled with golden stamens. Its shape is like that of a saucer, opening nearly flat, its immense size making it very conspicuous. Grows 18 inches high, and has beautiful foliage. Few garden flowers are so singularly striking as this. It will be a genuine delight to all who plant it.

Grandiflora. Immense white blossoms of great beauty..... 5

ARGEMONE GRANDIFLORA.

Brachycome.

A graceful Cineraria-like flower, often called Swan River Daisy. Plants bloom quickly from Seed and remain in bloom a long time. Plants only grow from six to eight inches high, and are fine for edgings, as their blossoms are profusely borne and are pretty and attractive; also a fine basket plant for the house. Colors, blue, white, pink, etc.

All Colors, Mixed..... 5

Bartonia.

Aurea. A bright-flowered annual, that commences to bloom a month after sowing the seed. Plant twenty inches in height, leaves downy and thistle-like, and flowers two inches or more across, of a shining, bright, metallic yellow, very showy and brilliant; stands drouth well. Sow where plants are to stand after ground gets warm in spring..... 5

BALSAM.

Bellis—(*Double Daisy.*)

Beautiful double flowers that appear in early spring if plants are slightly protected over winter. Blossom also very early from spring-sown seed, as plants bloom when but two or three inches high. If given a cool, moist, shady location, will bloom all summer, even in the south. As pot plants they are charming and will bloom freely all winter, as they delight in cold weather. In the open ground, cultivate exactly as you would Pansies, and next to the Pansy, it is the most charming little garden flower. Per pkt.

Double, Mixed Colors. White, crimson, rose and variegated; very double..... 10

Double, White. Pure color; handsome flower..... 10

Longfellow. A deep, rich pink or crimson; extra large flower on long thick stalks. Fine for cutting. We have received plants of these in full bloom, that after three days' stay in the mail-bag were as fresh as ever, and that when again potted, bloomed steadily..... 10

Quilled. A new strain; the flowers composed of needle-like petals. Very curious and pretty. Mixed colors. 10

Maxima, or Giant Daisy. The sweet little Daisy of Scotland, whose praises were sung by Robert Burns a hundred years ago, is the natural form of our fine double Bellis, which have been so popular for many years.

From these have recently sprung the new giant and cluster strain here offered. No amount of praise can be too lavish for this new form of the charming little double Daisy which we all love so much and which, next to the Pansy, is our most cherished early spring flower. The flowers are from one to three times larger than the ordinary double Daisy, very perfect and double and of lovely colors, ranging from pure white through blush pink, rose, etc., to deep crimson. Many of the plants produce on one stem a cluster of 13 to 20 blossoms, instead of the usual solitary one, as represented in the cut. The blossoms are very large, unique and beautiful. The plants are exceedingly strong and vigorous, of compact habit, with large, healthy foliage, and throw up flower stems by the dozen. Not only do they bloom early in the spring, but continue all through the summer and fall, and also make splendid pot plants for winter blooming, flourishing in cool windows and rooms where few other plants will survive..... 15

Balsam—Childs' Camellia-Flowered Perfection.

For more than fifteen years Childs' Camellia-flowered Balsams have been a marvel to horticulture all over the world. The gigantic flowers, double and perfect like Camellias, and the wonderful profusion in which they are borne, has been a revelation to thousands who never before knew what really good Balsams were. It is not an uncommon

sight to see more than five hundred of these magnificent large double blooms upon a plant at one time, the branches being perfect pyramids of bloom. The Balsam is one of the most beautiful and easiest-grown of all garden annuals. Seed may be started under glass early or sown in the open ground about corn planting time. A very rich soil is not necessary, but they like to have plenty of room, at least 18 inches apart each way. It is very hard to raise good Balsam seed, for they are inclined to deteriorate rapidly, and very little good seed is sown. Do not devote time or room to uncertain strains. Sow the genuine Childs' Camellia-Flowered Perfection and thereby make sure of having the best. These Balsams make beautiful pot as well as garden plants. Per pkt.

White. Flowers pure snowy white, and very large, double and perfect. A great favorite, with florists, and one of the most profuse bloomers, the plants being loaded with hundreds of blossoms..... 10

Light Pink. An exquisite shade of soft pink, like the rosy hue seen in sea shells. Very fine..... 5

Pink. A supurb sort, a clear, deep color; beautiful buds and very double flowers..... 5

Scarlet. Almost dazzling in brilliancy; a rich, glowing color that catches every eye. Flowers large, and finely formed..... 10

Striped. A clear frosted white, flaked ond striped with rosy purple or scarlet, like a Carnation. Showy in the garden, and beautiful in pots..... 5

Lavender. Flowers suffused with a soft shade of lavender; blossoms as double as Roses and of beautiful shape, resembling a fine Tea Rose bud. Its color is one of the most delicate and lovely among Balsams. Very beautiful..... 5

Fancy Spotted. Exceedingly showy. This strain shows rare and beautiful shades of coloring almost unknown in other flowers, and all spotted with pure white..... 10

Preferred. A great favorite with both florists and amateurs. Flowers pure white, overlaid by a delicate blush of lavender, that deepens toward the center of the flower, a line so delicate as to leave but a trace of color, yet so exquisitely soft and lovely that it seems perfection. Flowers of great substance and perfect shade, two inches across, and as double as rosettes. Very uniform and constant..... 10

Light Lemon. Not really yellow, but a fine shade of light sulphur or lemon. This is an entirely new shade in this class of plants and is much admired. A very beautiful flower, as double and perfect as a Camellia and as large as a good-sized Rose..... 10

Mixed Colors. No finer mixtures to be obtained anywhere. Seeds of all the above contained in the mixture. A great variety at little cost..... 10

SPECIAL OFFER.—*For only 50c. we will send one packet each of these ten fine Balsams.*

Carnation, New Marguerite.

A New Strain of Dwarf, Perpetual-Blooming Carnations which Flower in 3 or 4 Months from Seed.

This is still the great flower-seed novelty of the times, and here is offered the prize strain of seed. While others have sold seed which produced poor and single flowers, ours has always given at least 90 per cent. of the choicest double blossoms. The plant is of dwarf, compact and pretty habit, branching closely above the ground, with vigorous stalks which need not be supported by sticks. It flowers abundantly in a great variety of colors throughout the year, and the calyx never bursts. But what renders this variety far superior to any other is that the flowers appear in about three months after sowing the seed. Moreover, it produces at least 80 per cent. of double flowers, which are large and perfect. The plants grow easily everywhere, both in sandy soil or heavy loam, and will give the greatest satisfaction. Indeed, they signify an improvement on all other Carnations, which nobody ever thought of. Think of getting Carnations in flower from seed in about four months, which lasts throughout the winter, and of various colors, white, pink, scarlet, purple, red, striped, mottled, flaked, variegated, etc. We say without hesitation that it is the most important flower-seed novelty in many years. They are alike valuable for pot culture or for the garden. Do not sow cheap Marguerite Carnation seed; it will disappoint you. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors. Half dwarf, the finest strain, with large double blossoms, blooming in three months from time of sowing..... 15
Pure White. Extra fine..... 15
Rosea. Fine clear rose color..... 15
Scarlet. Deep, bright shade..... 15
Purple. A remarkably rich color..... 15
Violet. Fine violet color..... 15
Striped and Variegated. Many colors. All beautifully striped, blotched, mottled and variegated..... 15

One packet each of the seven above offered for 75c.

New Dwarf. Plants of dwarf, stout habit, and flowers extra large in size and brilliant in colors. A greatly improved strain. All colors, mixed..... 20
Malmaison. New Giant-flowered Malmaison type of Marguerite Carnations. See Novelties..... 25

Calendula.

The name of this flower is derived from the fact that it will bloom every calendar month of the year. If seed is sown early in open ground, plants will be in bloom by June, and will blossom continuously until after severe frosts of late autumn. It is also a good pot plant for winter, especially for cold rooms, and its large, double blooms are at all times welcome.

Mixed Colors. All fine and double..... 5
Meteor. Petals beautifully marked with two distinct shades of yellow. Very double and beautiful... 5
Whirlpool. A superb flower; large, double and perfect to the center; rich, deep yellow. A fine plant for fall and winter blooming in pots, being of dwarf, robust habit, blooming all the time..... 10

Cherianthus, Fairy Queen.

This fine little flower is a close relative of the Stock and Wallflower. One of those bright flowers that give a quick return for one's care, blooming a month after seed is sown, either in garden or pots. One who has never seen them does not realize how bright and pretty their little clusters of maltese-cross-shaped flowers are. They form a perfect mass of bloom, and for small bouquets, filling floral baskets, etc., they are just the flower one needs in quantity. Bright, without being big, and cheerful without being gaudy. Very easy to grow, and sweet-scented 5

Calliopsis.

The Calliopsis, or Coreopsis, is one of our brightest, cheeriest annuals, and as easy to grow as any weed. Sow in open ground quite early, and thin to six inches apart. Plants grow rapidly and are soon a mass of bloom. The myriads of gay flowers, poised on long foot-stalks above the foliage, make a mass or bed of these a dazzling sight. The flowers are particularly fine for bouquets, and should be cut freely, as by this means the period of blooming is prolonged.

Per pkt.

Dwarf Compact. Mixed colors; fine low-growing plants which produce thousands of blossoms in wavy masses 5

Golden Wave. A row of this plant is truly a wave of gold, and nothing but its brilliant yellow color can be seen, so numerous are the blossoms. It is of compact growth; flowers very large, exceedingly showy, and are produced in great masses all summer. A most showy plant, rivalling in beauty and profusion of bloom the famous Coreopsis Lanceolata..... 10

New Double. This new double form of the old Coreopsis is a most desirable flower for garden culture, as it grows freely and blooms continually in any soil or situation. The flowers possess all the rich and varied colors of the single form, and are always greatly admired, being such a novelty. All colors mixed.... 10

Canna.

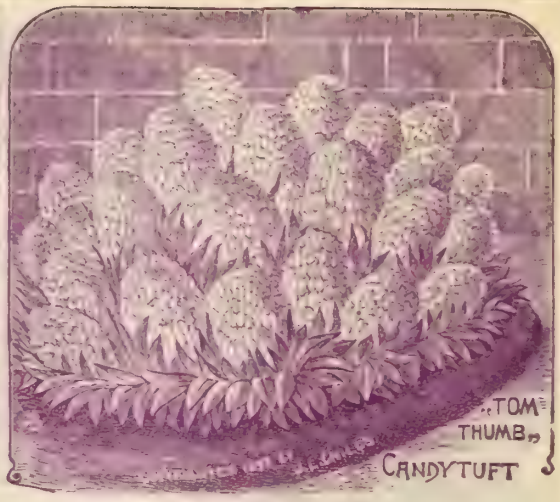
For fine flowering Cannas, see Canna page in this Catalogue, among Specialties and Novelties.

Mixed Sorts. A choice collection of all varieties.. 10

Dark Foliage. Mixed; all dark, beautiful foliage sort..... 10

Mad. Crozy. A magnificent sort 20

Crozy's Dwarf Flowering. Mixed colors. These can be classed among the grandest of all flowering plants. They commence blooming very early from seed and continue all summer, making a display which for brilliancy can not be surpassed.... 20



Candytuft.

This good old annual has been a garden favorite for three hundred years. A fine edging plant, and good for cutting. The new Empress is extra fine for massing, or for ribbon gardening, as plants of it are solid sheets of white when in bloom. Sow *very early* in open ground, and keep seed heads picked off for a constant succession of bloom. The dwarf Tom Thumb is our favorite.

Per pkt.

All Colors, Mixed. Many fine shades..... 5

Pure White. A favorite for floral work..... 5

Rocket. White, in pyramidal clusters..... 5

Dark Crimson. Good bright color..... 5

Empress. This new pure white Candytuft forms a dense, bushy plant of a spreading habit, and bears its snowy flowers in endless profusion. It is sure to delight all..... 10

Tom Thumb. Mixed colors; the ideal Candytuft. Dwarf, bushy plants, growing only 4 to 6 inches high, but bearing most profusely compact spirals of bloom of great beauty. Superb..... 10

Cynoglossum.

Pretty sprays of dainty white flowers; very sweet and graceful. Fine for small bouquets, or as a bed plant, and grows quickly and easily from seed. A truly lovely garden flower which all admire.

Linifolium. Fine; pure white..... 5

Centaurea Cyanus.

Two new varieties of this old favorite flower are here offered.

Per pkt.

Victoria. The leading German novelty of two years ago, and a most unique little plant which forms a dense mass of foliage and branches, above which is borne hundreds of lovely blue blossoms. It grows about one foot high, and begins to flower within thirty days after the seed is sown..... 5

Double. A new double-flowered form which comes pretty true. It is remarkable for the new shades and combinations of colors which it shows, many of the flowers being striped or variegated. Fine for cutting or wearing; of the easiest possible culture. Two feet in height, branches freely, and forms a compact, bushy plant..... 5

Cosmos.

A grand fall flower, the only rival to the Dahlia and Chrysanthemum. Sow seed early in spring, and plants will bloom from September to November. In the North give sheltered position, as severe frosts injure the flowers. Give light, rich soil, and support each plant by tying to a stout, deeply-driven stake, as the plants are top-heavy in bloom, and easily blown over. Each plant will reach a height of from 4 to 7 feet, and a more beautiful object is rarely seen. The feathery, dark-green foliage forms a filmy setting for the hundreds of graceful Daisy-like flowers, that make each plant like some huge bouquet. The pure white, soft pink, and deep crimson shades are exquisite, and for cutting or wearing they have no superior. Cuttings taken in August root freely and make fine pot plants for winter decoration, being dwarfer than in open ground. An extra fine flower for the South and Southwest. It was first introduced by us about ten years ago. Per pkt.

Childs' Hybrids, Mixed. All colors mixed, white, pink, crimson, rose, purple, etc. 10

Childsi. Pure snow white. Introduced by us, but has been re-named "Pearl," "Snow Cloud," etc., by others 10

Soft Pink. Lovely shade. 10

Dark Crimson. Fine deep color. 25

Conchita. A new Cosmos, with color and texture like crimson velvet. 20

New Giant. We now offer for the first time a new giant flowered strain of marvelous size and beauty. The individual flowers measure 4, 5 and even 6 inches across, and as they are borne on long, graceful stems the effect is most charming. This new strain does not differ from the old, except in the size of its bloom.

Giant White. Fine pure color. 20

Giant Pink. Exceedingly delicate and lovely. 20

Giant Mixed Colors. 15

Centranthus.

A pretty annual, with glauceous foliage, pale green, almost transparent stems and large clustered heads of tiny flowers, white, blush and rosy pink. Very fine for bouquets, or dainty cut-flower work. Mixed colors. 5

Fenzlia.

Charming low-growing plants, forming mat-like tufts of foliage, thickly dotted by a long succession of beautiful white or rose purple-throated flowers. An extra fine little plant for edging or carpet-bedding, or for baskets in the house. Blooms very quickly from seed.

Dianthiflora. A superb little flower, rosy pink. 10

Alba. Fine pure white, and contrasts well with the pink 10

Cleome.—(*Spider Flower.*)

Extra fine garden annual, growing well in either wet or dry seasons, and in bloom every day for months like enormous panicles of Hydrangea. Per pkt.

Pungens. Enormous heads of bloom, some of the flowers being deep crimson and others light pink, contrasting elegantly. 5

Alba. This is a sport from Cleome Pungens which originated at Floral Park and was introduced by us last year. It is a garden flower of superior merit, one that will grow vigorously in any situation and bloom profusely all the time from spring to late fall, caring not for prolonged drouths or for continuous rainy weather. We know of no flower which will stand adverse circumstances so perfectly as this. The flowers are borne in large clusters, are of snowy whiteness, with long, scraggy stamens which stand out in all directions, suggesting its common name, "Spider Flower." It is one of the very few exceedingly beautiful flowers which will flourish like a weed in any situation for any one. It should have a place in every garden. 10

Celosia.—(*Cockscomb.*)

The old Cockscomb of our mothers' gardens, but vastly improved of late years. Its huge comb, from six inches to a foot across, are of the most fiery gorgeous colors, unlike anything else in the floral kingdom. Good specimens are very fine all the late summer and autumn, and our best parks make use of thousands of them for autumn bedding. Start in heat and transplant to open ground after danger of frost is over. As pot plants they are also much admired, their beautifully frilled and ruffled heads attracting much attention.

Dwarf Mixed. A fine mixture of all colors, of dwarf habit, but producing enormous heads of bloom. Elegant for pots. 5

Variegated. Tall growth, with combs beautifully striped and variegated, yellow and scarlet. 5

New Tree. This splendid sort is so hardy and vigorous that seed may be sown in the open ground in the spring, instead of starting it under glass. It grows rapidly, reaching the height of 5 or 6 feet, and branches freely, producing several heads of enormous size, and dark, rich crimson in color. It is very effective and should be in every garden, for not only is it the easiest to grow, but the most showy of all Cockscombs. 10

Gaillardia Perfection.

These are aptly called the Chrysanthemum Gaillardias, owing to their great size, brilliant colors and double and perfect blossoms. Flowers are of enormous size, perfectly double, and borne in great profusion all summer, while the colors and variegations are the most brilliant and beautiful imaginable, scarlet, red, orange, purple, lemon, buff, etc. As pot plants they are also exquisite. Start seed early, if possible.. 10

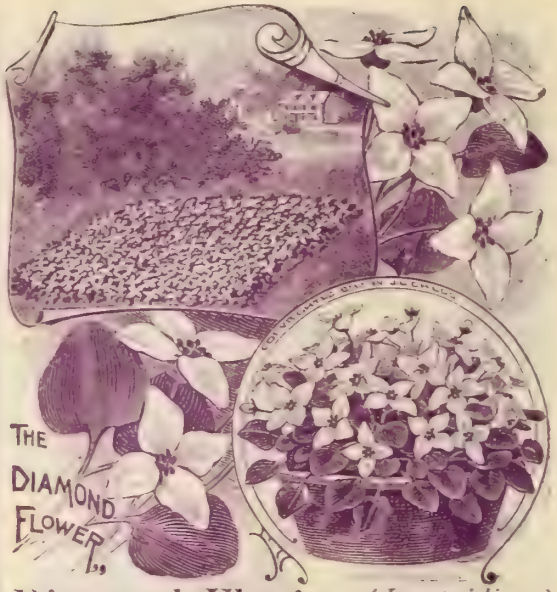
Feverfew.

Fine border plants that are always in flower. They bloom quickly from seed, and are extra good for cutting. They also make fine plants for winter blooming in pots. Flowers large and double, like Roses, and very profusely borne at all times of the year. Habit, dwarf and compact, making them very desirable either for garden or for pots.

Little Belle. Fine snow white..... 10
Little Fred. Pure golden yellow..... 10

Datura.—("*Sweet Nightingale.*")

One of the finest garden flowers. Plants rapid and bushy growers, crowned with great, lily-like blooms a foot in length, like an enormous trumpet, white as snow and deliciously scented. It is a fine plant for the center of a bed of evening bloomers or to use at the base of a rockery. One plant in bloom will scent up a whole garden or lawn..... 10



Diamond Flower.—(*Ionopsidium.*)

A dainty little annual with tufts of tiny foliage and beautiful little white and violet-blue flowers that bloom within a month from the time seed is sown. It will grow in the open ground, over rock-work, or in pots, never exceeding three inches in height, and rarely two. The tiny flowers have a glistening sheen that has given them their name of Diamond Flower, and being surrounded by a wreath of bright green foliage, they show to wonderful advantage. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have the most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss—that you ever saw. In the garden it will grow and seed all summer, covering the ground with a perfect carpet of beauty. In the fall the self-sown seed will come up and bloom profusely from October until spring, regardless of ice and snow, making a lovely bed of flowers all winter.

Diamond Flower (IONOPSIDIUM ACAULE)..... 15

FEVERFEW.

Chrysanthemum.—(*Annual.*)

These bright, graceful flowers are yearly growing in favor. Plants grow from 12 to 18 inches high and bear a profusion of bloom, each flower being belted and zoned with the most clear and vivid of colors. This intenseness of coloring has earned them the name of "Painted Daisies." Inodorum Plenissimum is very fine as a pot plant.

Carinatum, Hybrids. Mixed, elegant colors..... 5
Carinatum Hybrids. Double, mixed colors..... 5
Inodorum Plenissimum. Dwarf and free flowering, very double and pure white; elegant for pots..... 10
Golden Feather. Grand sort with bright yellow foliage and charming blossoms. The dark, velvety disk in the center is surrounded by a circle of bright golden yellow, followed by another circle of rich crimson... 10

One packet of each for 20c.

Dianthus.

(GARDEN PINK.)

An indispensable garden flower. A flower fitted equally to adorn the poor man's garden or the spacious grounds of the millionaire. Never out of place in any situation. Succeeds in any soil. Stands neglect, heat and cold, and is as near iron-clad as plant can well be. Like their near relative, the Carnation, the Dianthus is superlatively beautiful, many varieties possessing a radiant-like fire that is impossible to describe, but is the very acme of richness and beauty. A grand flower for cutting or flower work, and succeeds well in pots for winter bloom if treated like Carnations. Sow early either in house or open ground, and plants will not only bloom all summer and fall, but will survive the winter and bloom the next season. Never sow any but the best seed of Dianthus, if you would have the choicest flowers. Grows about one foot in height, branching freely, and is always strong and erect. Per pkt.

Diadematus, flore plena. Splendid double flowers of the richest, darkest shades, fringed, mottled, striped, spotted, flaked, margined, etc., in a most odd and beautiful manner..... 10

Atropurpurea. A very fine shade of dark red..... 5

Double White. Fine for contrast..... 5

Laciniatus. Finely fringed and lacinated flowers of large size; very double and perfect..... 5

Striatus. Large, double, striped flowers..... 10

Heddewiggii. Superb large single flowers, three inches across, of the most beautiful colors, many of them striped and banded in the most striking manner..... 5

Eastern Queen. Grand flowers 3 or 4 inches across, beautifully striped and shaded, and having colors which are like the richest silks..... 5

Mourning Cloak. A rich variety of most unique coloring. Large double flowers of a velvety purplish black, each petal tipped and fringed with snowy white. A most suitable flower for all funerals, emblems, or for cutting at any time. This is a fine pot plant..... 15

Per pkt.

Crimson Bell. Immense flowers of a rich crimson red. A grand flower of the single Heddewiggii type, and a beautiful companion to Eastern Queen and the Bride. 5

Imperialis. Double Imperial Pinks. Robust, bushy growers bearing great quantities of large, double flowers of rich, glowing colors. One of the very best garden sorts, as they bloom so soon after sowing, and are very hardy..... 10

Brilliant. A dwarf grower with numerous double flowers of a dark, rich red, as large and fine as Carnations. A beautiful variety and comes true from seed..... 15

The Bride. A very dwarf, compact plant, but with flowers of the largest size and of the richest possible combination of colors. The groundwork of the flower is a clear, pure white, with a radiant, glowing, crimson center, shading into a pink band next to the white border. With its beautiful fimbricated blossoms and its compact habit, it is an extra fine sort for pots..... 15

SPECIAL OFFER.—*One packet each of the above twelve sorts for 75c.*

IMPERIALIS.

Mixed. Our own mixture, of the most beautiful double and single sorts, and of every desirable shade or peculiar marking. This mixed seed will give a bed of beautiful flowers, and scarcely two plants will be alike in bloom. They will bloom from early until late, and may be lifted in autumn and potted for blooming in the house. Few garden flowers equal the Dianthus, and none are more satisfactory..... 15

Dahlia.

We still find difficulty in convincing our customers that good Dahlias can be grown from seed, and that plants will bloom the first season from seed. We only wish we could show all doubters some of the magnificent flowers grown from our seeds. Anyone who can raise a Zinnia or a Morning Glory from seed, can grow Dahlias from seed. They are remarkably easy to germinate, and from the very seed-leaf the plants are stocky and sturdy. Seed sown in the house in March or April will produce flowering plants as soon as plants grown from tubers. We know this to be so by repeated experiments of our own, and our customers write us the same thing. Some of the finest, largest Dahlias, and the richest colors we have ever seen, were among seedlings. Give good soil, and never let the plants suffer for water, and our word for it, you will be more than satisfied. Out of a large paper of seed we have known not two plants to be alike in flower, while there was every color represented, from snow white to blackish maroon. Start seed in house, and transplant to open ground after frost has gone. Per pkt.

Double Large Flowering, Mixed. Will produce some magnificent varieties..... 20

Double Pompon, Mixed. Extra choice strain..... 15

New Single, Mixed Strain. Flowers very large and of rainbow colors. Very graceful and exceedingly popular as cut flowers..... 10

Cracills, Mixed Colors. Fine cut foliage, and a profusion of brilliantly striped and flecked blossoms like large [illegible]..... 15

Cactus. A new class of broad-petaled double flowers, esteemed by many the finest of all. Very distinct and extra for cutting..... 25

One packet of each for 60c.

Helianthus.—(*Sun flower.*)

Some of the newer sorts of the old-fashioned Sunflower are really very fine. The following three sorts are the best:

Miniature. The smallest of all Sunflowers, growing only two feet high; flowers two or three inches across; bright yellow and not at all coarse..... 5

New Double Dwarf. Compact grower, with double flowers of great size and beauty..... 5

Multiflorus. If planted singly in good soil this new Sunflower reaches the enormous height of from 12 to 15 feet, and is richly branched from the base up to the top, each branch bearing a multitude of medium-sized golden yellow flowers with small black center, which offer an invaluable material for boquets and garnishing purposes. An elegant plant 5

Gypsophila, Elegans.

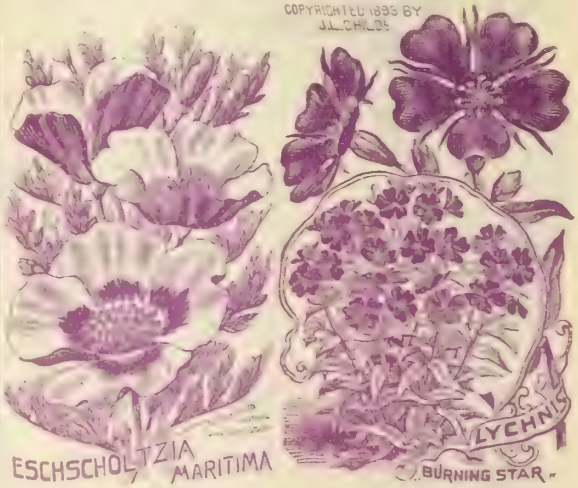
Everyone who is fond of bouquets, ought to grow this. It produces long, fine, mist-like sprays of tiny white flowers that are one of the finest things in the world for all cut flower work, softening all hard outlines, toning down all glaring colors, and giving the finish to a bouquet that filmy lace does to a rich dress. Blooms soon after sowing seed. 5

Lychnis.

Hardy perennials that bloom the first season. Sow seed early in open ground. Colors very brilliant, and showy.

Mixed Colors. Many fine old sorts..... 5

Burning Star. A blaze of brilliancy for months if plants are kept from seeding. Star-like blossoms covering the dwarf bushy plants as with a cloud. Perfectly hardy, and blooms even better the second season than the first. One of the most brilliant of garden flowers. Mixed colors..... 5



Eschscholtzia.

The Eschscholtzia is one of the hardiest and most easily-grown of our annuals. It is also a very showy one, growing rapidly and coming into bloom soon after the plants are above ground. The foliage is finely cut and handsome, and the flowers exceedingly showy, large and freely produced. It is a fine flower for blooming in pots, especially in winter.

Californica. Fine golden yellow. A most showy flower. 5

Double White. New..... 5

Mixed Colors. Many sorts..... 5

Maritima. A new sort with whitish grey foliage, finely cut and fern-like, and large light canary colored blossoms, with deep spots at base of each petal..... 10

Godetia.—(*Satin Flower.*)

A handsome flower, and particularly useful because it will grow in shady places where so few really fine flowers can be grown. They bloom a long time, and so profusely that the foliage is almost hidden by the many large, wide-open flowers, of shining, satin texture, and of the most delicate and lovely colors. This flower grows more popular each year, and it well deserves the partiality shown it. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors. All shades..... 5
Lady Albemarle. Flowers of an intense carmine, shaded lighter at edge. Each bloom 4 inches across 5
Duchess of Albany. A pearly, transparent white..... 5
Bijou. Plants are perfect mats of foliage, never above 6 inches in height, each plant showing from 200 to 300 flowers in full bloom at one time. Flowers beautiful snowy-white with a rosy-red blotch in the center..... 5
Satin Rose. A rich, bright crimson, beautiful to contrast with the snowy-white..... 5
The Bride. Exquisite flowers, of soft crimson and white 5
Princess Henry. A satin-like flower of delicate rose, each petal marked with a large, bright carmine spot. Grand for pot culture, or for cutting..... 10
Fairy Queen. Large, pure white flowers, shading to blush and spotted with carmine in center. A beautiful flower, admired by everyone who sees it..... 10

One packet of each for 30c.

Larkspur.

An old-fashioned, but none the less valuable annual with large, compact spikes of showy flowers, in all shades of white, pink, red, blue, etc. Sow seed very early in open ground, or even in late autumn. Per pkt.

Double Dwarf Mixed...... 5
Hyacinth Flowered. Great hyacinth-like spikes of large double flowers. Mixed colors..... 10

Lobelia.

Charming little plants for small beds, edgings, baskets, etc. Graceful and pretty, and colors exceedingly clear. A most charming pot plant for winter culture, blooming in four weeks, and making the prettiest little pots of flowers.

Crystal Palace. Dark blue, best for bedding..... 5
Erecta Alba. Fine white..... 5
Emp. William. Light blue, very compact..... 5
New Double Dwarf, Mixed Colors. A lovely dwarf, compact sort, bearing hundreds of beautiful double blossoms of various colors..... 10
Royal Purple. Extra fine, with dark stalks and large, deep blue flowers, having a distinct white eye..... 10
Goldeise. A compact, low-growing variety, the foliage of which is golden-yellow and is most charmingly set off by the hundreds of blossoms which the plant carries of the brightest, deepest blue, with a pure white eye. We have never seen in one plant a more charming contrast between flowers and foliage than is shown in this most superb novelty..... 10

Mimulus.

Beautiful little plants, with the daintiest and prettiest flowers imaginable. Will not succeed in hot sun, but is just the plant for cool, shady beds, or for baskets or pots in poorly lighted windows. Seeds fine, and need care in sowing. Great favorites with those who have once grown them. In exquisite coloring these flowers rival the Gloxinia

Mixed Sorts. All colors (MONKEY FLOWER)..... 5
Moschatus. (MUSK PLANT.) Well known for its fine musky fragrance..... 5
Double Mixed. Double flowers; splendidly spotted.... 10
Tigrinus Grandiflorus. Flowers size of a Petunia, and of very bright and striking colors, all spotted, tigered and variegated in a most charming manner. Fine as pot plants, rivaling the Gloxinia..... 10

Mirabilis.

Much used in the now popular "evening" beds, and also for summer hedges, low screens, etc., for which their uniform, bushy growth well adapt them. Plants are crowded for months with innumerable silk-like flowers of the most ravishing colors, and exhaling a delicious perfume. Indeed, the celebrated "Jockey Club" perfume is made from Longiflora. These flowers owe their common name of "Four-o'clock" to the regularity with which their beautiful flowers open at that hour each afternoon.

Improved Mixed Colors. White, scarlet, yellow, etc.. 5
Tom Thumb. Mixed colors. A new dwarf strain of great beauty. Grows only 12 inches high, and each plant is a compact mass of lovely yellowish leaves, which in evening are hidden by hundreds of gay blossoms of all colors and variegations..... 5
Longiflora. Mixed colors. Lovely fragrant blossoms.. 5

Mignonette.

Mignonette is the French word for "little darling." No more expressive term could well be found for the sweet, homely flower that by its merits alone has won its way as the favorite of all, though hundreds of showier flowers were its rivals. No garden is complete without its plot of Mignonette, no nosegay finished without its sprig of this sweet-smelling flower. We pride ourselves on our choice strains of this favorite flower, and believe no finer seed can be procured anywhere. Sow early in the ground for summer blooming, and in pots any time for the window. Per pkt.

Common Sweet. The old small-flowered variety; very sweet. Per oz., 20c. 5

Pyramidal, or Giant Tree. A robust grower, with numerous large spikes of flowers; very sweet..... 5

Giant White Spiral. First introduced by us several years ago. Very distinct from all other sorts; rank, luxuriant foliage, deeply cut and decidedly ornamental. Each plant bears great quantities of large, snow-white spikes, that are very pretty for cutting and for small bouquets. Grows well also in pots. Grows and blooms in any situation with greater freedom than any other sort..... 10

Machet. The finest of all. Plant bushy and a profuse bloomer, with extra large spikes of a pretty brick-red color; exceedingly fragrant. Much inferior seed of this variety is on the market. Ours is strictly pure.. 10

Golden Queen. Pyramidal habit, with flowers of a yellowish color. Very good..... 10

Crimson Queen. A fine variety with large spikes of dark red flowers..... 5

Improved Victoria. This new Mignonette is one of the most desirable novelties we have seen for a long time. It grows only six to twelve inches in height and is sure to put every lover of flowers in ecstacy by its perfectly regular, pyramidal habit and the beautifully formed spikes of the prettiest red Mignonette flowers ever seen. We consider this the finest of all Mignonettes, either for the garden or for pot culture. Its large, compact spikes are exceedingly fragrant, seeming to surpass in this respect all other varieties. It is a robust and healthy grower and succeeds well, even in dry soil and hot sun, where most Mignonettes fail 15

For 40c. we will send one packet each of the seven sorts.

Mimosa (*Sensitive Plant.*)

A curious plant, with delicate fern-like leaves that fold closely together if touched, as though they were wilted by a hot blast. In a short time they again revive. It is a very beautiful plant and one which furnishes endless amusement. Per pkt.

Mimosa Rubica. True sensitive plant..... 5

Mesembryanthemum.

These are the well-known Ice Plants and Dew Plants, succulent plants with peculiar crystalized foliage that sparkles in the sun, as though coated with minute particles of dew or ice. In addition the flowers are numerous and pretty, and the plants bear sun and drouth admirably.

Crystallinum (Ice Plant). Its leaves glisten like ice.. 5

Tri-Color (Dew Plant). A lovely trailing plant..... 5

Marigold.

Petted by our grandmothers, neglected by our mothers, now once more on the high wave of popularity. Bright, showy flowers, that only need the slightest care to do well and blossom freely. Per pkt.

French, Mixed Colors. Double flowers, rich dark shade 5

African, Mixed Colors. Shades of yellow, very large and double; tall grower 5

Dahlia-Flowered. One of the best new Marigolds, growing very rank and tall, and studded with enormous double Dahlia-like flowers. The colors range from the palest canary yellow to a deep, full orange. Set one to two feet apart, and if any plants prove single pull them up. The double ones will soon fill up all gaps with their wide branching. Sow a few for winter blooming 10

Pygmae. Babies among Marigolds. Plants only reach the height of 9 or 10 inches, but are full of bloom. Flowers a light velvety brown, bordered with yellow. 5

Legend of Honor. A most sterling variety. Plant very dwarf and compact, bearing its flowers well above the foliage. These are of large size and exceedingly striking, owing to the wide contrast in their colors. The center of the flower is a bright, brownish-red, while the outer half is fine golden-yellow. It is really the prettiest Marigold we have ever seen and should be found in every garden. It blooms profusely all summer, and in autumn, especially, the whole plant is a solid pyramid of bloom 10

One packet each of the five sorts for 25c.

Nigella.

Often called Love-in-a-mist, from the curious way in which the pretty blue blossoms are veiled by the feathery, close-enveloping foliage, 15 inches. An easy and rapid grower of much beauty.

Dwarf Mixed. Blue and white; lovely compact plants 5

Oenothera—(*Evening Primrose.*)

Large, saucer-shaped blooms of the purest white, or softest, richest shades of yellow, and deliciously fragrant. The swollen buds expand at dusk with a sudden "snap" that always delights the children and interests the adults. Seed can be sown in the open ground, and plants will soon be in bloom. Mixed sorts 5

Myosotis.

The beautiful Forget-me-not is a synonym for faithfulness and undying affection. Beautiful for shady nooks and quiet beds, and exquisite for cutting and for wearing. Like the Pansy, there is something almost human in the expression of these modest little flowers, that look you frankly in the eye as though they had something to tell you. Though perennials, they bloom the first season. They are also fine for pot culture in a shady window where few plants will bloom. Per pkt.

Rosea (Clivenden Pink). A charming rose color 5

Palustrus. Elegant blue flowers of large size 5

Alpestris. Pure white 5

Elegantissima. Neat pyramidal growth; mixed 10

Dwarf, Mixed Colors. Small, bushy growth, large blossoms 10

Fairy Gem. This is an annual variety that, sown in open ground, will bloom in July. Its flowers are a beautiful blue and profusely borne 5

One packet each of the six sorts, 30c.

Nicotiana.

Fine for separate clumps or masses, or for the center of beds of evening bloomers. One of the easiest of all plants to grow, and equally fine for out-door culture or for winter blooming in pots. Its long, tubular, star-pointed flowers are pure white, exceedingly fragrant and very profusely borne. It is one of the few plants that will flower well without a single ray of direct sunshine, and, for shaded grounds and north windows, is invaluable. Per pkt.

Affinis. Three feet high, with hundreds of fragrant blossoms borne for months without intermission 5

Decurrens. A dwarfer and more branching variety than Affinis, equally beautiful and even more profuse 10

Nasturtiums.

If we were asked to name the six best annuals, the Nasturtium would be one of them. They are so easy to grow that a six-year-old child could plant them and care for them, and they have every good quality of a bedding plant—compact habit, attractive foliage, intensely bright and beautiful flowers, borne profusely the whole season, not troubled by insects, and standing dry weather well. Do not let seed form, and plant on thin soil. Per pkt.

Tom Thumb, Mixed. Our own special mixture, of all colors; no better can be found. Per oz., 20c.; per lb., $1.50. 5

Lady Bird. A beautiful bright yellow, stained and blotched with deep crimson. 10

Empress of India. A fine variety, with dark purplish foliage and very dark, rich crimson flowers. Grand for edging or ribbon beds, as its color is noticeable... 10

King Theodore. Darkest of all, almost black in color. 10

Golden King. One of the loveliest shades of yellow we ever saw. Superb bedder. 10

Coccinea. Bright, flashing scarlet; could not be brighter 5

Pearl. The nearest white. Good for contrast. 10

Rose. A lovely soft shade of rose. 5

Spotted. Gorgeous in colors and markings. 5

Beauty. Deep yellow, marked with bright scarlet... 5

Crystal Palace Gem. Sulphur-marked maroon 5

King of Tom Thumbs. Deep, velvety scarlet, with handsome dark foliage. Very fine. 10

Ruby King. An elegant new sort with flowers of large size and a rich ruby-red color. A grand sort, and one of the richest colored Nasturtiums in cultivation.... 20

Minus. Miniature Nasturtium, growing only half as large as other varieties. It is very dainty and pretty as an edging to beds of the larger sorts. Many fine colors mixed. Per oz., 30c. 5

SPECIAL OFFER. *For only 75c. we will send one packet each of the fifteen sorts here offered.*

Per pkt.

Cloth of Gold. Fine to contrast with the green-leaved or dark-foliaged Nasturtiums. Leaves of a clear, bright yellow, while the beautiful flowers are a fine scarlet. It is a superb bedding plant, of compact habit, forming a plant which is a dense mass of foliage and bloom at all times. Must be seen to be appreciated. 10

Petunia.

This is a flower for everybody. Few high priced and rare plants can begin to compare with the Petunia for beauty, and not half a dozen other flowers on our list are as showy in beds or masses as it is. We once saw in front of a humble western cabin a great raised bed of Petunias, a perfect cloud of brilliant blossoms that could be seen far over the prairie, gleaming in purple and white, like some great star, and all this wealth of beauty was the product of a ten-cent paper of seed. The smallest yard and the finest park is not complete without these butterflies among flowers, that mind neither heat, drouth or rain, but bloom in profusion until the winter is almost upon us. The seed is best started in the house, and the young plants transplanted to open ground one foot apart; but if the soil is made very fine, seed can be sown in open ground and covered lightly. After they are once up they are no trouble to grow.

Per pkt.

Childs' New Hybrids. Striped, blotched and stained. Large, funnel-shaped flowers of intense brilliancy and vivid markings. Never out of bloom, and fine for pots. 10

Grandiflora, Mixed. Very large flowers and fine colors, including beautiful blotch, bordered, striped and veined types. 10

Grandiflora Alba. Pure white. 10

Nana Compacta. A dwarf bedding Petunia, almost smothered under its load of beautifully variegated flowers, and blooming all summer. 10

Fimbriata Titania, Mixed. Large flowers of various colors; beautifully veined and fringed. 20

One packet each of above five for 50c.

NEW GIANT FLOWERED PETUNIAS.

A giant flowered strain which originated in California. The Double is particularly fine.

Per pkt.

Giant Flowered Double, Fringed, Mixed Colors. This strain of giant flowered Petunias originated in California, and it is one of the most valuable new flowers that has ever come from that state. They are the largest and finest colored Petunias ever yet seen. Their size and beauty will be a revelation to all who see them. A larger per cent. comes double from seed than from any other strain we know. 25

Double White. A very fine pure white flower, and very double. 30 per cent. will come true from seed. 30

Giant Flowered Single, Mixed Colors. Enormous single flowers of a great variety of supurb colors and fancy markings. Exceedingly beautiful, and without doubt the finest strain of single Petunias to be had. 20

The Rainbow. Richly colored flowers with golden yellow throats. Exquisite and comes true every time. 20

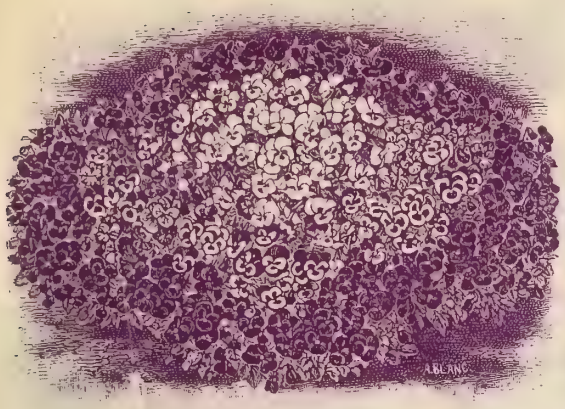
Ring of Emerald. Large pink and crimson blossoms deeply bordered with a green band. Attracts great attention. 20

Six Lobed White. Very large, pure white, usually with six lobes. 20

Fringed Perfection. A highly perfected strain, the petals of which are deeply ruffled, and the ruffles in turn exquisitely fringed. A superb strain of the richest colors. 20

One packet each of above seven for $1.00.

GIANT EXCELSIOR
PANSIES



A BED OF PANSIES.

Pansy.

A universal favorite with young and old Every child sees the face in the Pansy, and, aside from its great beauty, we all treasure it as the symbol of modest worth and true affection. The smallest yard must have its Pansies. Not poor, foreign plants, struggling unaided with heat and drouth and hard baked ground, though even there yielding us handfuls of cheery bloom; but, rather, strong, vigorous plants, rioting in the cool, deep, mellow beds they love, made rich with fertilizers, kept free from weeds and shaded from the hot afternoon sun. In such a bed one may gather great velvety Pansies by the hundreds—flowers so radiantly beautiful that they scarcely seem of the earth. Although the Pansy loves coolness, and gives its largest, finest blooms in early spring and late autumn, they are so easy to grow that those living in the South can grow superb ones by giving rich bed, sheltered location and abundant water. Sow seed either in house or in open ground. In the open ground sow seed very early in spring, while the ground is yet cool and moist, for late summer and fall bloom, or in August and September for spring and early summer bloom. For fall-sown seed have the bed moist and kept shaded by boards or papers until the plants appear. These will make vigorous plants that will endure the winter if protected by a few evergreen boughs, or other light covering. Do not let the plants seed if you wish to keep them in bloom. Poor Pansy seed is dear at any price. Ours is saved with great care and is the best. Per pkt.

Extra Choice Large Flowering. Mixed; very good... 5
Extra Select Large Belgian. Large, showy flowers... 10
Snow Queen. Very large and of snowy whiteness..... 10
Yellow Bird. A selection of the Giant Trimardeau type with very large flowers of a clear, deep, glossy yellow 15
Cassier's Giant Odier. Seed saved only from selected flowers of the very largest size and most beautiful blotchings. A very distinct strain..... 15
Bugnot's Superb Mixed. Needs no praise, for it is already famous as the best selection of a noted Pansy fancier. Flowers extraordinary in size and coloring 15
Peacock. A Pansy of superb and varied colors, most of them showing that glorious and luminous bronze-blue seen only in peacock feathers. It is a finely colored strain and cannot be too highly praised..... 15
Ne Plus Ultra. A strain of peculiarly rich coloring.... 10
Trimardeau Giant. A distinct strain, with very large flowers and wide range of coloring..... 10
Fire King. Fiery yellow and reddish purple, rich and unique coloring..... 10
Silver Edged. Dark, rich velvety purple, with distinct white edge. Lovely for outting and for funeral work 10
Black Giant-Flowered. A new black Pansy of the largest size; a rich coal-black; very fine and striking 20
Giant Excelsior. It is impossible to do justice to these lovely flowers in a printed description. Cold type cannot convey an idea of the indescribable richness, the varied and exquisite coloring, the large size, perfect form, and great substance of the blossoms. Plants are compact and bushy, and produce great quantities of flowers, borne well above the foliage on strong stems. Owing to their vigor this strain withstands the hot and dry weather better than any other variety, and produces its great, beautiful blossoms in profusion all summer. Over a hundred different shades and combinations of colors have been counted in one bed of this strain..... 20
Cardinal. Deep scarlet, the brightest color in Pansies.. 20
Fancy Margined. A unique strain, as the blossoms, which are of various colors, are all margined with white or gold. Extra large and of exceptional beauty 20

One packet each of above fifteen sorts for $1.00.

IMPERIAL GERMAN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES.

Introduced by us several years ago, and now a household word in the land. Many inferior stocks have been placed on the market under the name, but, as the introducers, we may be depended upon to furnish the true variety. Large flowers of the finest coloring; stout, robust and bushy growth, withstanding heat and producing fine large flowers during the entire summer. Flowers of great substance and beauty.

Gloriosa Perfecta. An indescribably lovely flower; a reddish steel-blue, with distinct red and white rim.. 10
Snow Fairy. Grand snow-white blooms, profusely borne. Fine for cemeteries..... 10
Black Knight. A large Pansy of inky blackness..... 10
Thunder Cloud. Another grand Pansy of most unusual markings; large coal-black flowers, each with red and white rim. Extra fine..... 15
Azure Blue. A clear, lovely shade, very fine for bedding 10
Emperor William. Elegant deep blue, very useful for bouquet making..... 10
Little Red Riding Hood. A good advance toward the bright red Pansy of the future. A rich reddish color, some of them very brilliant and showy. Only a portion of the seeds come true to character..... 10
Deep Yellow. A fine color for bedding..... 10
Odier, or Five Spotted, Mixed. Beautifully spotted flowers. A peculiar variety..... 10
Large Spotted, Mixed. On white, yellow and reddish grounds. Very fine..... 10
Lord Beaconsfield. True. Flowers of great substance and size, shading from deep indigo at the center to the palest azure blue at the edge of the upper petals. Unlike any other Pansy, and extra fine for cutting.. 10
Marbled. Beautifully marbled, various shades..... 10
Striped. Very showy and striking flowers, distinctly striped and shaded..... 10
Bronze Perfecta. A unique color, hard to describe. Exquisite to combine with the deep blue and purple Pansies in cut-flower work..... 10
Mixed Seed. Of more than fifty distinct shades of Imperial German, including those described above.. 10

One packet each of above fifteen Imperial Germans for $1.00.

CHILDS' SUPERFINE PANSY.

The Pansy is our leading specialty in seeds, and testimonials show that for years we have sold the finest Pansy seed that has been sold in this country. As the introducers of the Imperial German and Giant Excelsior we have had the finest strains of these, the best of all Pansies; Childs' Superfine is merely a careful selection from them. The plants which show the greatest vigor and perfection in growth, and beauty in size and shape of flower, are selected for seed. They are carefully cultivated and the seeds saved only from a few of the largest and most perfect flowers of the finest colors. We grow it in Northern Germany, where the Pansy attains the greatest perfection, and we can emphatically say that this is the finest Pansy seed ever offered in the world; the very best that can be grown or had at any price. Per pkt. of 25 seeds, 30c.

Phlox Drummondi.

One of the very best of all bedding annuals is the Phlox Drummondi, surpassing almost everything else in dazzling brilliancy. We may well be proud of this distinctively American flower, for it is extremely beautiful, neat in growth and an extraordinary bloomer. The newer sorts of Phlox are so far ahead of the older varieties that we have discarded all the latter, and offer none but those beautiful new ones of recent introduction. The Phlox make beautiful ribbon beds when different colors are sown side by side, and are also grand for masses of solid color. Per pkt.

Mixed. Fifty different colors. Fine for large beds and masses. Per oz., $1.00 10

Coccinea. A rich, velvety scarlet 5

Fancy Striped. Many distinct colors, all striped white 5

Grover Cleveland. A grand bedding sort, large, pure white flowers, with radiant crimson centers .

Rosea Alba Oculata. A [illegible] with large pure white eye. A charming [illegible]

Violet Alba Oculata. A rich shade of violet, with large white center...

Yellow. Good for contrast, not as brilliant in color as the scarlet and crimson varieties.....

Alba. Large, pure white, without mark[illegible]

Stellata. Of the most dazzling, deepest scarlet, with a contrasting eye of the snowiest white. This is a wonderfully brilliant bedder, giving a blaze of color that can be seen a great [illegible]

Nana Compacta. Small growing, very compact varieties in many brilliant colors. They attain a height of only six inches and make a very brilliant carpet.. 10

Double White. The strain here offered is most excellent, and a large per cent. of the plants will produce fine double flowers in great clusters and as white as [illegible]

Double Yellow. [illegible] of a good yellow color.

Childs' Star. Nothing else in the Phlox line has ever created such a sensation as the unique German strains of Fimbriata, Cuspidata, and Star of Quedlinburg, when introduced a few years ago. Their large size, and their curiously pointed, fringed and toothed blooms—utterly unlike anything else—took the floral world by storm. We have hybridized all these together and secured a unique strain of a hundred colors and every conceivable shade 10

CHILDS' JUBILEE PHLOXES.

This strain of Phlox is as superior to other Phlox of regular outline as our new Star Phlox are to the ordinary strains of Fimbriata Phlox. The flowers of Childs' Jubilee Phlox are of great substance, beautiful form and uncommon size, while the colors are extraordinarily rich and varied, glowing crimson, dazzling scarlet, deep rose, soft pink, pale blush, maroon black, lavender purple, and numberless other rare shades, many with contrasting eyes, stripes, or featherings. In habit these new Phloxes are erect, rather than procumbent, and bear their velvety blossoms in great profusion, making them unrivalled for bedding. They are of dwarf, stout, branching habit, always standing erect, and the individual flowers the size of a twenty-dollar gold piece. The grandest of all Phloxes..... 15

SPECIAL OFFER. - *For only 50c. we will send one packet each of these fourteen finest Phloxes.*

Poppies.

Universal garden favorites from the days of our grandmothers. There is nothing more graceful than the silky blooms of single Poppies, nodding at the apex of their long, wiry stalks like so many tropical butterflies that a passing zephyr might waft from their airy perch. There is nothing more gorgeous than the double Poppies, bursting with fullness, glowing with color, and like great Peonies or Snowballs in size. There are few flowers easier to grow, if the precaution is taken to sow early and cover lightly, and none more useful to light up dark masses of shrubbery, mixed borders, or dull bits of landscape. Do not wait for warm weather to sow your seed, but sow very early in the spring, or even in the late autumn before, that the plants may have their growth made, ready to bloom at the coming of warm weather. We grow an acre or more of Poppies every year, and no finer seed than we offer can be procured anywhere.

Per pkt.

Wonder. A gloriously beautiful parti-colored Poppy, as double and full as a Peony, each petal part snowy white, part brilliant scarlet, and finely fringed. One of the most novel Poppies ever seen, and one of the most striking. Peonies cannot surpass it in size, majesty or exceeding beauty of coloring. Compact habit, with rank foliage..... 5

Shirley. A lovely single Poppy with petals that seem stamped out of the most lustrous silk, and of the softest, most delicate colors, or of the most brilliant hues, each flower widely margined with some other shade. No one can help admiring these beauties.... 10

Giant Carnation-Flowered. Flowers of the very largest size, extremely double, and of very brilliant colors. Many colors, mixed..... 5

Childs' Great Peony-Fo wered. A strain selected after years of high cultivation and careful selection. Plants attain a height of three feet or more, and bear many flowers of most brilliant colors..... 10

Peacock (Papava Umbrosa). Dazzlingly beautiful. Fiery scarlet flowers with vivid black centers, and borne on long wiry stems. One of the showiest of all. 5

Japanese Pompon. An early and profuse blooming Poppy, with small flowers, round as a ball, and double to the center. They are in every color—pink, crimson, rose, scarlet, blush, etc..... 10

Double Shirley. This is a double form of the magnificent Shirley Poppy. It does not differ from them in any respect, except the flowers are double instead of single..... 10

Nankeen Yellow. A fine novelty. Large double blossoms of a fine Nankeen yellow color..... 10

Angel of Midnight. Black. A most unusual color and an odd and interesting one. It contrasts finely with the brighter colored sorts, its dull, sombre color being very conspicuous..... 10

Childs' Rosette. A sport from Snowdrift, that originated at Floral Park. The plant is a taller grower than the Snowdrift, with flowers even larger, but of the same beautiful shape, while the color is an exquisitely soft, delicate pink, and the petals elegantly fringed. About one-half the plants will come true to color, while others will vary, showing different shades and tints, but all beautiful... 10

Snowdrift. This grand variety was introduced by us, and there is no finer Poppy grown. Flowers as pure as the driven snow, large, double and full, yet soft and loose like a great ball of snow. A mass of it in bloom is a grand sight. Its habit of growth is stout and compact, not attaining the height of most other large Poppies, which makes its enormous blossoms show to better advantage. 10

Rosebud. Some of our customers think these Poppies the prettiest of all. Dainty little flowers, like silken rosettes, cupped like Roses. Some of these are exquisitely mottled and shaded, while the others are solid colors, margined with other shades. The coloring of these Rosebud Poppies is something wonderful, and must be seen to be appreciated. Intense scarlet-crimson, pink-rose, white-blush, mottled, fringed, etc..... 10

Nudicaule or Iceland Poppies. Perennials, but bloom first year. Very handsome and graceful, and particularly desirable because they furnish us with a color hitherto lacking in these flowers. The yellow and orange shades are particularly fine, and the white is very pure..... 10

Tulip-Flowered. A new Poppy of great brilliancy and beauty, having a flower which in shape and color resembles a great flaming Tulip. Its color is most intense scarlet, and it blooms at least two weeks earlier than any other Poppy. One of the most valuable novelties last year..... 10

Blushing Bride. Superb new sort. For full description see Novelties..... 1g

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only 60c. we will send one packet each of these fifteen Poppies.*

Portulaca.

The Portulaca will stand more abuse than almost any other flower. They do not like deep shade, or wet, damp soil, but in any other situation they only ask the sowing; they will take care of themselves afterwards. The dryer the weather and the hotter the sun, the more they flourish, carpeting the ground with their mat of succulent foliage, that during the fore part of the day is almost hidden by clouds of gay blossoms, in every color of the rainbow. Fine for bordering walks, rock work and bedding. Beautiful in ribbon beds, and as they can be transplanted even in full bloom it is easy enough to remove any single or off-colored ones, and replace them with others as they bloom. Six inches high. Per pkt.

Grandiflora, Mixed Colors. White, crimson, rose, scarlet, yellow, striped, etc. Very brilliant..... 5

Double Rose-Flowered, Mixed Colors. Large blossoms, as double as Roses, and of the greatest variety of colors and variegations. Our seed is extra choice and will produce large double flowers..... 15

Double Yellow. Fine brilliant color..... 15

Double Scarlet. Clear and bright..... 15

Double White. Pure and beautiful..... 15

One packet each of above five for 50c.

Phacelia Campanulata.

An easily-grown annual that will commence to bloom a month from the time seed is sown in the open ground. Erect, cup-shape flowers of a lovely blue. Flowers profusely and a long time. Its shade of color is one of the rarest and loveliest seen among blues. It is a superb pot plant.

Campanularia...... 5

Ricinus.

Grand sub-tropical foliage plants, unjustly neglected because they are cheap. The new varieties are very fine.

Gibsoni Dwarf. Beautiful dwarf; compact form. Extra 10

Cambodgensis. Highly ornamental, the leaves and stems being nearly coal-black; fine, graceful grower, with highly ornamental seed pods..... 10

Arborens. Immense grower; 15 feet; very effective.... 10

Mixed Varieties. Many sorts..... 5

Platycodon, Grandiflora.

A companionable flower that is attractive in the border, pretty in balcony boxes, and very fine for vases and cut-flower work. Blooms first year from seed, though it is a hardy perennial, the plants living in the ground over winter and blooming profusely year after year in the same spot. On this account it is very valuable. The pretty star-like flowers are three inches across, and the colors are very clear. It is a most beautiful and satisfactory plant which blooms freely all the season, one plant often having a hundred or more of its large, fine blossoms at one time. A gem for any garden.

Pure White. Fine pure color..... 10

Large Blue. A real fine porcelain blue..... 10

Mixed. Several colors..... 10

Peas, Trailing.

These are of a trailing and not of a climbing habit, and are dwarf and bushy, differing greatly from the ordinary Sweet Peas. Their flowers are the largest and most beautiful in form and color of all flowering Peas, and will greatly delight all who plant them. They also commence blooming about three weeks earlier than Sweet Peas, and continue all summer. Pick off the flowers as fast as they fade.

Per pkt.

Lord Anson Blue. Clear sky-blue, lovely shade..... 10

Lord Anson White. Pure white..... 10

One packet of each for 15c.

Ten-Weeks Stocks.

To our mind we do not catalogue a finer flower than the Ten-Weeks Stock. It has every merit of a perfect flower—a compact habit, many and long spikes of closely-set large double flowers, each as double as a rose, waxy of texture, exceedingly sweet, and varying in color from snow-white to dark maroon-brown, and through all intermediate shades of red, blue and yellow. It is a grand bedder, and a fine pot plant, blooming the winter through. It develops in its greatest perfection in the cold atmosphere of our Northern States. In the South and West a cool situation should be chosen, sheltered from the midday sun. This plant requires rich, mellow soil, and must never be allowed to suffer for water. Poor care will result in poor flowers. It is worse than useless to plant inferior seed of this flower, that has been brought to its present high standard by careful breeding and high cultivation. Our seed is of the very best, and will please all who try it. Per pkt.

Early Ten Weeks. 12 of the finest colors mixed..... 10
" " " Pure white, very sweet..... 10
" " " Rich crimson..... 10
" " " Clear blue..... 10
" " " Yellow, new and fine..... 10

Dwarf German. Mixed colors. An extra fine strain of large flowered stocks..... 10

New Largest-Flowering Globe Pyramidal. One of the finest of all. Immense spikes of grand flowers, in almost rainbow colors. We have counted twenty-three different shades in a single bed of these flowers, in bloom at one time..... 15

Giant Perfection. One of the finest for the open ground, growing to the height of 2½ feet, flowers also of immense size. Many beautiful colors mixed..... 15

Snowflake. A supurb variety. Flowers as perfect as though cut out of wax. Much grown as a pot flower for cool rooms..... 15

Victoria Blood Red. A fine companion to the Snowflake, and grand for cutting. Deep and rich in color, and very fragrant..... 10

Celestial Blue. A beautiful color, and contrasts admirably with the two sorts above..... 10

Tree. Mixed colors; a gigantic branching sort..... 10

One packet each of the twelve sorts for $1.00.

Scabiosa.

This is one of the very best bouquet flowers of our entire list, and is also fine for masses or clumps in the flower garden. Each plant bears a profusion of beautiful flowers, rich, velvety, glowing, and unlike any other flower, while the long, wiry stems fit them for use in bouquets and vases. Sow seed early in open ground, and they are almost sure to succeed. They are very hardy, and plants frequently endure the winter, and do even better the second season than the first. While all colors of Scabiosa are fine, the rich, coal-black and velvety royal purples find most admirers. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors (MOURNING BRIDE)..... 5

Double, Mixed Colors. Dwarf habit; fine colors..... 5

Snow Ball. The plant is a strong grower, and the flowers are very large, perfectly double, and as white as snow. They are produced very freely..... 10

Golden Dwarf. A dwarf sort with yellow foliage and double coal-black blossoms. A unique plant..... 10

Royal Velvet. Each head of this variety when in full bloom may well be named a ready-made nosegay, composed as it is of 20 or 30 distinct florets of a velvety purple color on which the white stamens contrast finely..... 10

Double Yellow. A fine novelty..... 10

Solanum.

Easily grown plants with ornamental fruit. Especially fine for pots, and last a long time in beauty. The fruit takes on different shapes and colors, and are also different in growth and habit of bearing.

Mixed Sorts. Various sizes, shapes and colors; all highly ornamental..... 5

Racemigerum. A highly ornamental sort, bearing a profusion of Currant-like fruit.... 10

Schizanthus.

The "Butterfly Flower." An easily grown plant, bearing quantities of gay, butterfly-like blooms, beautifully marked and spotted. The plants are such profuse bloomers that each branch looks like an immense panicle of lovely bloom.

Mixed Colors. Improved large flowering. Lovely..... 5

Salpiglossis.

An exceedingly beautiful flower, and an extra fine and brilliant bedder. Large, lovely, funnel-shaped blossoms of velvety texture, and with deeply sunken veins, penciled and shaded with the richest tracings on a groundwork of the most pleasing colors. It stands the sun well, and some of the showiest beds we have ever seen have been of this beautiful and easily-grown annual. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors. Many beautiful shades..... 5

Grandiflora, Mixed Colors. A grand new strain with enormous blossoms, possessing the most varied, brilliant and fantastic markings imaginable. The staining, penciling and blending of the colors is wonderfully fine..... 10

Spraguaea Umbellata.

A singular plant in both leaf and flower. The wooly pink and crimson flowers are borne in umbels above the foliage. The flowers remain perfect a long time, and are often dried and used for winter bouquets. The leaves are of a dark bronzy color, odd and attractive. Very curious and fine. 10

Salvia.

The Salvia is now a standard bedding plant, and well does it deserve its honor. It stands heat and drought remarkably well, and its colors are very showy and intense. Seed is best started under glass, though self-sown seed frequently comes up in great numbers where a bed of these plants has been the year previous. Cuttings are easily rooted in August and September, and make fine winter blooming plants for sunny windows.

Splendens. Large, scarlet; exceedingly showy and useful for cutting and for ornamental beds..... 10

Patens. A most lovely shade of blue..... 15

Carduacua. Light blue..... 5

Splendens Compacta. Fine dwarf form of the old variety; very brilliant and free flowering; fine for pots. 15

Wallflower, Annual, Mixed.

The old English Wallflower is everywhere a favorite, and it is a regret to most cultivators of flowers that it cannot be grown in this country as well as it can in England. This is owing to the fact that it is not hardy enough to stand our winters in the open ground without being killed or severely injured, and as the old varieties do not bloom until the second year from seed they can be successfully wintered only in frames. This serious difficulty is obviated in this new strain, which flowers early the first season from seed. Seed sown in the open ground the first of May will commence blooming by the last of July, and if started earlier in the house or in hot-beds they can be had in profusion from early in June until late autumn, as they continue blooming through autumn frosts without injury. The blossoms are of large size and borne in compact, short spikes or clusters, and are exceedingly sweet-scented. The plants are not injured by fair frosts and bloom profusely till snow flies. The colors range from yellow to dark brown, striped, variegated, etc. This splendid novelty will be welcomed by thousands of admirers of the lovely Wallflower..... 15

Vinca.

Lovely garden or pot plants, producing a profusion of bright blossoms at all times. Seed started early in pots makes lovely blooming plants by early summer, which will continue in growth and bloom for a year. As bedding plants for the garden they rival the Geranium. Their soft and delicate colors and profuse blooming habit makes them at all times attractive. Do not omit them.

Mixed Colors. White, pink, crimson, etc. A new and improved large flowering strain..... 10

Verbenas.

Like the Pansy, the Aster and the Petunia, the Verbenais a favorite with everybody, and one of the most universally popular of all flowers, both for the garden and for pot culture. For constant and profuse flowering, and for brilliancy and beauty of colors, it has few equals. Start seed early under glass, if possible, that good strong plants may be had for transplanting to the garden. They will commence blooming in June and continue until after severe frosts, and during this entire time nothing in the garden will attract more attention than the bed or clump of Verbenas. In August cuttings may be taken from some of the best ones and potted up for winter blooming. Our prize strain are the finest Verbenas in cultivation. Per pkt.

Extra Choice Mixed. From a named collection..... 10

Golden Bedder. A striking variety with bright scarlet blossoms and golden yellow foliage..... 25

Dark Cloud. A French variety, of a rick black-blue color lighted by a white center. Fine..... 15

Striata. Everyone admires the striped Verbenas, its colors are so clear and vividly contrasted..... 10

Primrose. A great advance toward the coveted yellow Verbena. A soft, pale yellow, or primrose..... 20

Odorata. This lovely Verbena possesses three great points of merit over other varieties, and they are such important ones that it will become a necessity to every garden. First, it is so hardy seed can be sown in the open ground early in the spring, where they will quickly germinate, grow rapidly, and in a few weeks be in bloom and give a great profusion of beautiful blossoms all summer. No garden flower is easier grown, for it is as sure to thrive as a Poppy or pig-weed. Second, the blossoms, instead of being in *clusters* like other sorts, run up into *spikes*, usually 3 or 4 inches long, as shown in the cut. Third, it is very sweet scented. We have probably said enough to make everyone want it, but we have yet to say that the flower is *pure white*, that the plant is short jointed and dwarf, not covering nearly as much ground as other sorts, and it is a perfect mass of bloom all summer. It always comes perfectly true from seed..... 10

CHILDS' PRIZE VERBENAS.

Famous as the finest strain of Verbenas known. We grow four acres of these superb flowers, and we know what we are talking about when we say they are the finest of all Verbenas. The plants are vigorous and short jointed, and perfect sheets of bloom. The trusses are very large, the flowers of mammoth size, perfect form, and embrace the richest and most velvety colors. They are also delicately sweet scented. The range of color is great and shades are mostly very delicate and dainty. In coloring they are, in fact, perfectly exquisite, there being very little of the common old blue and purple colors among them. In their place we have delicate blushes, lavenders, pinks, velvety indigoes, intense scarlets, whites, mottled, striped, variegated, etc., in fact, a thousand different colors and combinations.

Childs' Prize, Mixed Colors. Hundreds of delicate shades. Enormous sized flowers, dwarf, compact habit, and prodigious bloomers..... 20

Childs' Prize, Pure White. Comes true from seed. Great trusses of snowy blossoms of exquisite fragrance 20

Childs' Prize, Scarlet. A very intense scarlet..... 20

SPECIAL OFFER.—*One packet each of the nine sorts, $1.00.*

	Per pkt.
Improved Striped. A good strain, representing all the leading colors, but all striped. This is really the finest strain of Striped or Zebra Zinnias in cultivation	10
Fire Ball. Dwarf habit, large double blossoms of intense scarlet, as round and perfect as a ball. It makes a fine border or mass, its bright color and perfect habit showing to great advantage	10
Snow Ball. Exactly like Fire Ball except color, which is snow white, and makes a charming contrast	10
Double Yellow. Blossoms large and bright golden yellow	10
Lilliput, Mixed Colors. This strain is the acme of beauty and perfection in Zinnias. Plants small and of bushy growth, each one bearing scores of beautiful little blossoms of the most perfect shape and brilliant colors. These charming little Zinnias are gems indeed, and should be in every garden	10

Zinnia.

From earliest childhood the Zinnia has been a special favorite with us, and the strain which we cultivated in our first little garden we still grow and sell as our improved. We have selected the stock seed every year for twenty-five years. This careful attention has brought it to wonderful perfection. This Zinnia is a robust free grower, furnishing an abundance of large double blossoms, which are of varied and brilliant colors, during the entire summer and fall. Each flower keeps perfect for six weeks before fading, and each plant is a great mass of bloom all the time, making a show which is peculiar. Nothing else can fill their place. Seed should be started inside or sown in the garden about corn-planting time.

Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors. Saved only from select flowers, perfect in shape and color. The finest strain of Zinnia in cultivation. Every plant will produce immense double blossoms of various colors, from white to deep crimson, maroon, pink, yellow, orange, scarlet, violet, primrose, buff, striped, etc. Every plant will give fine double flowers. Single and poor flowers long ago disappeared from this strain..... 10

Crested and Crinkled. All colors mixed. A strain with curiously crested and crinkled petals..... 10

SPECIAL OFFER.

To encourage the free use of our Improved Zinnias, we will send one packet each of the seven varieties here offered for only 50c.

EVERLASTING FLOWERS.

Flowers of eternal beauty—those which never fade—are offered on this page. They are unsurpassed for winter decoration and may be made up into bouquets, baskets, vases, etc. They last for years by being cut and dried when in bud and blossom. The following are all exceptionally beautiful and easily grown.

Ammobium, Alatum.

A very useful everlasting. Plant robust, and great bloomer. Flowers pure white, and very double. Dry as recommended for Acroclinium, and be sure to cut plenty of buds, as they dry beautifully, and are useful to contract with the full blown flowers..... 5

Acroclinium.

Probably the most beautiful everlasting known. Flowers pure pearly white, or an exquisite soft clear shade of pink, with bright golden center. Cut the first day they open, or the center becomes discolored. Hang the bunches, heads downward, in the shade to dry, and the flowers will appear as perfect as when gathered. One foot high.

Mixed Colors. Very fine..... 5
New Double Mixed Colors. Larger and fuller than the above..... 10

Gomphrena.

Remove cottony covering from seeds, and start in heat if possible. Good for garden, and make neat pot plants. Plants bear great quantities of clover-like blooms, altogether different in appearance from any other everlasting, and very attractive buds as well as full blown flowers, extra fine for winter bouquets.

All Colors Mixed. White, crimson, orange, etc..... 5

Rhodanthe.

A fine everlasting, good for the garden, and a pretty pot plant. The most delicate and graceful of this useful class. Try it by all means and cut blooms early for drying.

Mangiesi. Bright clear pink..... 5
Alba. Pure white..... 5

Helichrysum.

One of the most useful of all everlastings. Plants grow two feet high, and are very hardy, blooming until late autumn. An easy plant to grow, and flowers are very bright. The white and light colored varieties color easily, and are often dyed in shades not otherwise obtainable in everlastings, and used in wreaths, crosses, and winter bouquets. Flowers should be picked before fully expanded, especially for dyeing.

Monstrosum. Mixed colors, very large..... 5
Dwarf. Mixed colors, compact and free flowering..... 5
Fire Ball. Deep fiery red, large and double; new..... 10
Golden Ball. Golden yellow; new..... 10
Snow Ball. Pure white..... 10

Xeranthemum.

An easily grown everlasting, and furnishes the only shades of blue and purple to be found in this class.

Mixed Colors..... 5
Superbissima. Double blue..... 10

Ornamental Grasses.

The everlastings would be quite useless without their setting of soft, pretty grasses in winter bouquets. Grow a good quantity of these elegant grasses. There are many of them quite ornamental in the garden, and are all useful for cutting for summer bouquets, as well as for drying for winter, or for dyeing.

All the Best Sorts Mixed. Per oz., 25c..... 5

SPECIAL OFFER.—*One packet each of all these Everlastings and Grasses for only 50c.*

ORNAMENTAL CLIMBERS.

Every garden, every cottage, every fence, wall, stump, or old tree is beautified by the graceful and profuse flowering vines here offered. Vines are nature's draperies and are essential to any and every attempt to beautify one's home surroundings. Beautiful, beautiful vines, many an unsightly object do they cover, many a lovely screen, or fence, or trellis, do they make, masses of beautiful blossoms and grateful shade do they furnish. The following selection is all that can be desired among annual climbers. Our ***Sweet Peas, Morning Glories and Nasturtiums are particularly fine.***

Centrosema Grandiflora.

This new vine has come to stay. It is easy to grow, quick to bloom, beautiful in flower and leaf, and is a hardy perennial, lasting for years. It will flower the first season from seed, and autumn frosts find it still in bloom. It is a low, graceful climber, growing only six to eight feet high, which makes it far more suitable for a low trellis or lattice work, or to train around a door or window in summer, than a taller, larger-leaved vine would be, and its masses of large, inverted, pea-shaped blossoms, two inches or more across, and borne in clusters of four to eight flowers together, are very showy and pleasing. Fill a small vase with its dainty, bright flowers and foliage alone, and see how lovely they are for cutting. In color they range from rosy violet and reddish purple, with exquisite feathering or bordering of pure white, to pure snow white. The rosy violet shades are most common, but as the buds and the back of the flowers of the dark varieties are pure white, each vine has the appearance of bearing different colored flowers at once. The winning way in which the flowers look up at one has won them the fanciful name of Look-at-me Vine..... 10

Cypress Vine.

One of the prettiest vines imaginable; slender vines, thickly clothed with dark green, feathery foliage of great beauty, and dotted with intensely bright, velvety little flowers that shine like little stars against their glossy background of green. Fine for training to small trellises or to run up poles or strings.

Mixed Colors. White, pink, scarlet..... 5

Canary Bird Flower.

A dainty vine, with beautiful cut-leaves and pretty, delicate flowers of a clear canary yellow. From the color of its blossoms, and also from a fancied resemblance of their shape to a bird with wings expanded, the plant obtains its common name. A pretty vine for the window or for a sheltered location out of doors. Per pkt.

Tropæolum Canariensis, or Canary Bird Flower..... 5

Cobæa.

One of the finest of all climbers, equally good for out of door or for house culture. Pretty foliage, and large, beautiful bell-shaped flowers that open a clear green, but turn to a lovely purplish blue. Plant seed edgewise in moist but not wet soil; cover to prevent evaporation, and do not water again unless soil becomes very dry. When seedlings appear water with great moderation until out of the seed-leaf.

Scandens. Fine bluish purple..... 10

Alba. Fine pure white..... 20

Gourds.

Well-known climbers, with the most fantastic and grotesque fruits imaginable. Fine for covering sheds, training over fences or brush piles, and always sure to attract the attention of the children, who love to play with the pretty striped and oddly crooked fruits. Many of these fruits keep perfect for years, being hard-shelled.

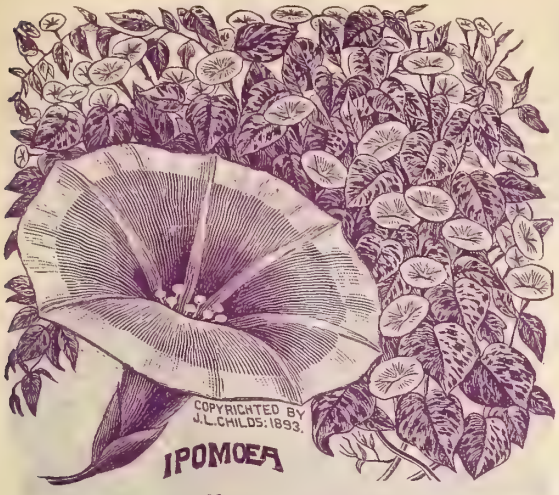
Mixed Sorts. All sizes, shapes and colors..... 10

Fragrant. Oval round fruits 2 to 3 inches long, and nearly as thick through. Pretty striped or mottled shells, the inside filled with musk melon-like flesh and seeds. Children carry the cunning little fruits around as playthings, and housekeepers place them on mantels and brackets as ornaments. One fruit will perfume a room with the most delicious odor, and will last for weeks without rotting..... 10

Maurandya.

This vine is not grown half as much as it deserves to be. It has an exceedingly graceful habit, very handsome, dense foliage, pretty foxglove-like blossoms borne in great profusion, and keeps green until after severe frosts. A beautiful vine for hanging baskets, with its dainty white, maroon, and rose-colored blossoms.

Mixed Colors. White, pink, purple, etc..... 5



Ipomœa.

Closely allied to the Morning Glories, but larger, and the colors, if possible, more beautiful. Rapid growers, mostly with handsome foliage, and exceedingly lovely flowers.

	Per pkt.
Mixed Colors. Very fine, all colors	5
Beauty of Floral Park. Has beautiful foliage, light green leaves marbled with white, while its large flowers are a deep magenta red, bordered with a wide band of white; very fine	10

Morning Glories.

The old-fashioned Morning Glory, as easy to grow as any weed. Brilliant, beautiful flowers of every shade of white, blue, pink, scarlet and variegated. The standard vine of every flower grower.

Pure White.	5
Dark Red.	5
Dark Blue.	5
Striped. Red and white	5
Black. A novel color	10
Mixed Colors. Per oz., 15	5

One packet each of above six sorts, 20c.

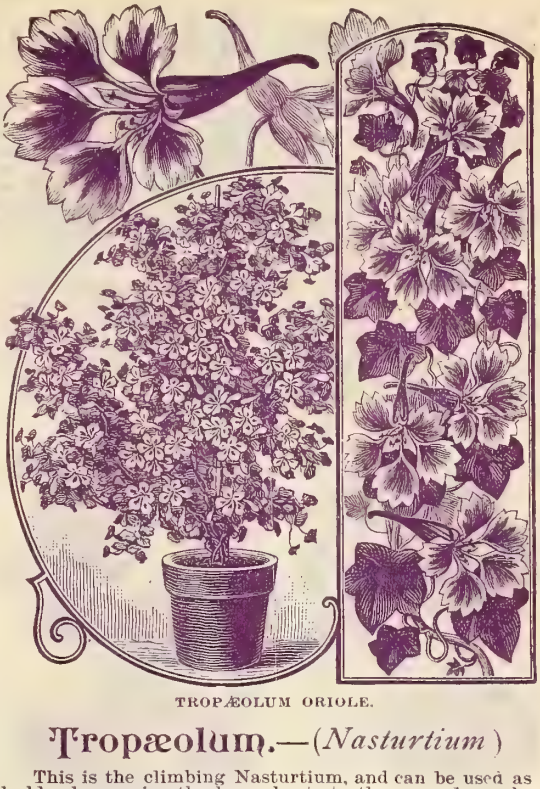
Momordica.

A slender vine of moderate growth, with pretty pale yellow flowers, and showy, curious fruits of a dull orange and green color, that, when ripe, burst open, displaying a bright carmine center. It is very ornamental, even more so than a Gourd.

Charantina, or Balsam Pear. Very fine indeed, and a novel variety which is hardly ever seen in any garden	10
Mixed Sorts. Several varieties	5

Thunbergia.

Beautiful trailing plants for beds, low screens or hanging baskets. Slow to start from seed, but grow well and can be rooted easily from cuttings. Blossoms yellow, orange, buff, and white, with various colored eyes. Sometimes called "Black-eyed Susan." All colors, mixed | 10



TROPÆOLUM ORIOLE.

Tropæolum.—(*Nasturtium*)

This is the climbing Nasturtium, and can be used as a bedder by pegging the long shoots to the ground, as a low-climber for window or screen, or used as a house-climber in winter. It is never molested by insects, and is a quick, clean grower that soon covers itself with flowers of the brightest, richest colors. Everyone likes it who tries it. It withstands heat and drouth well, and, if not allowed to seed too freely, will bloom for many months.

	Per pkt.
Lobbianum, or Oriole. Mixed colors; many shades, and all with fine fimbricated petals. Colors intense and very striking. Elegant window climbers	15
Golden Climber. A splendid climbing Nasturtium with beautiful golden-colored leaves and brilliant scarlet blossoms. It makes a vine, either for the garden or window, which is of the most striking oddity and beauty, and will attract the widest attention	15
Mixed Colors. A fine collection. Per oz., 20c	10
Mad. Gunthert Hybrids. A new strain of large flowered, elegantly blotched and marked sorts. More than twenty different colors and shades appear among them. All of new and peculiar beauty. Splendid rapid growers and fine foliage. A great French novelty of last year	15

Sweet Peas.

For list of our superior strains of Sweet Peas, see Novelties on green paper pages. The following are all well-known favorites:

	Pkt.	Oz.
Scarlet Invincible. A deep scarlet	5	15
White Invincible. Fine pure white	5	15
Blue Invincible. Elegant deep blue	5	15
Adonis. A fine shade of carmine-rose	5	20
Black. Dark purplish black	5	20
Butterfly. Pure white laced with blue	5	20
Dark Red. A rich shade	5	20
Painted Lady. Lovely pink and white	5	20
Violet Queen. A beautiful shade of violet	5	20

One packet each of above nine sorts for 30c. One oz. each for $1.00.

Mixed, All Colors. A superb mixture. Per ℔., 75c.; ¼ ℔., 25c. 5 10

Seeds for Window or Greenhouse Culture.

The satisfaction derived from the cultivation of house plants is not alone in seeing them bloom. There is joy in seeing them grow and develop day by day, and the one who starts a plant from seed and rears it up to bloom gets all the pleasure there is in the plant culture. Geraniums, Carnations, Chrysanthemums, Gloxinias, Begonias, Heliotropes, etc., are easily grown from seed, and it is really fascinating to raise them in this way, watching each plant as it unfolds its first bloom, noting its form, color and other characteristics, and when occasionally we discover an immensely fine one much superior to any we have ever before seen or heard of, the highest pleasure and satisfaction possible to get from plants and flowers is ours. It is from seed that all fine new varieties of house plants are produced, and it is not uncommon for a seedling Chrysanthemum or Carnation to be worth more than a thousand dollars. Our strains of all these seeds are much finer than are usually sold. They are the choicest which can be grown.

Abutilon.

As indispensable for the window or greenhouse as the Petunia is for the flower garden. Will stand more abuse and neglect than almost any other house plant. Grows rapidly from seed, and is soon in bloom. Leaves are very ornamental, and are often beautifully variegated. Lovely bell-shaped flowers, borne the year around, in all colors—white, pink, yellow, orange, red, etc. Per pkt.

Choicest Hybrids, Mixed. All colors. Blooms soon after planting..... 20

Acacia.

Shrubby plants with fine fern-like foliage, and pretty, fragrant tassel-like flowers. Profuse bloomer, and exceedingly graceful. Hardy in the Southern States. Fine for pots.

Choicest Sorts, Mixed...... 15

Farnesiana. Lovely yellow; sweet..... 10

Begonia.

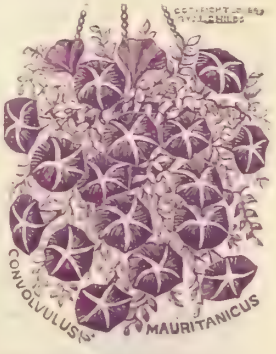
One of the most beautiful of all window plants, handsome in foliage, and bearing great quantities of lovely flowers of wax-like texture, and exquisitely soft, delicate shades. Seeds are very fine and need care in sowing, but the flowers repay all care given. Seedlings bloom in from five to eight months' time.

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids. Largely grown for bedding purposes, or for summer conservatory decoration. Blossoms very large and showy..... 25

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids, Double. Very fine..... 50

Mixed Seed. Many kinds. Grand for window culture. 25

Vernon. A grand new perpetual blooming sort..... 20



Convolvulus Mauritanicus.

Acknowledged to be one of the finest basket plants in existence. Beautiful trailing plant, completely covered with large, wide open, morning-glory-like flowers of a lovely shade of blue. Very healthy and vigorous, and grows readily from either seed or seedlings. Blooms all the year..... 10

Calceolaria.

Not one in ten of our customers have ever seen a Calceolaria in bloom, yet it is one of the handsomest and most striking pot plants we know of. Seeds fine, and must be sown with care, but after they are fairly up they grow finely, and will bloom the next winter. Each plant bears hundreds of pocket-like flowers, spotted and marked in the most curious manner.

Dwarf Hybrids. Large flowering mixed colors..... 25

Rugosa, Mixed. Fine bedding plants..... 15

Chrysanthemums.

Chrysanthemum seed sown in the spring will produce large, vigorous plants by fall, which will give a great profusion of fine flowers, even more than old plants. The seed we here offer is from a prize collection of over two hundred varieties, including all the latest novelties in all classes—Japanese, Chinese, Incurved, Anemone-flowered, Pompons, etc., and will produce a magnificent array of varieties. No matter how many plants you raise, no two will be alike, and some are likely to be very valuable. All colors, shapes, sizes and varieties will be produced. The great beauty of a collection of seedling Chrysanthemums cannot be appreciated until it is seen. They are grand, and are very easily raised. Seeds germinate freely and quickly, and the plants being of a hardy and robust nature, make a rapid growth.

Extra Choice. All colors and varieties, mixed..... 25

Ostrich Plume. Fine mixed, all colors of hairy varieties. 30

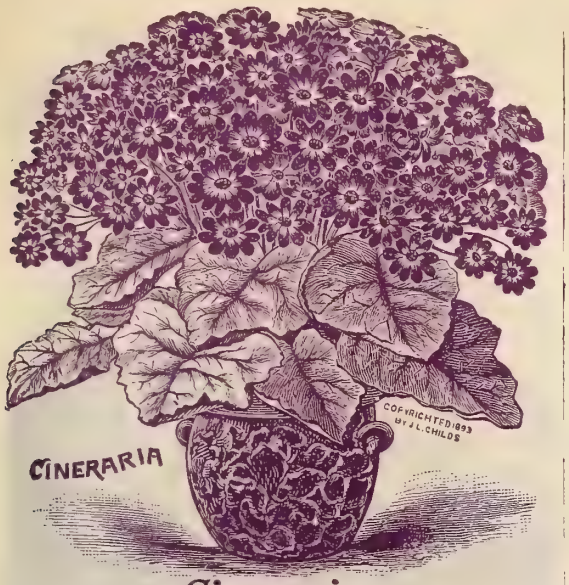
Cyclamen and Gloxinia.

For our choice strains of Cyclamen and Gloxinia see colored plate.

Fuchsia.

Lovely pot plants, which bloom profusely at all times. Grows readily from seed, and many fine new sorts will appear.

Mixed, Double. Finest seed from best named sorts.... 25



Cineraria.

A wondrously beautiful greenhouse plant, and not at all hard to grow. Seeds germinate quickly and easily, and young plants grow off without any trouble. Keep in a shady place over summer, and remove to house in fall. Use insecticides to keep free from aphis, and as flower buds show give good light. A beautiful plant, the large, luxuriant leaves surmounted in late winter and spring by immense quantities of large aster-like flowers of the most brilliant colors. Nothing could be more effective in the window. Per pkt.

Dwarf Hybrids. Large flowering, mixed colors..... 25
Double Extra Choice Mixed..... 50

Carnation.

A favorite with everyone. Fragrant double flowers of elegant form and exquisite markings. Seeds and plants grow as freely as the old garden pink. Spring sown seeds make fine winter blooming plants. Keep cool in winter and close to the glass.

Good Mixed..... 10
Fancy Extra Choice Mixed. Variegated colors..... 25
Monthly, or Perpetual Tree. Mixed greenhouse varieties..... 25
Hardy Hybrids. Hardy free bloomers. Extra fine for the garden or for pots. Many fine colors mixed..... 20
Margaret. Fine early bloomers..... 15

Cacti.

At once one of the most curious and popular class of plants grown. Many fine varieties can be grown from seed, with a little care and patience. Sow seed in shallow pans or saucers filled with clear, coarse sand, with good drainage. Cover with glass, keep moderately moist, but not wet. Pot seedlings into very small pots.

Mixed Sorts. Thirty to fifty kinds..... 15

Eucalyptus Citroides.

A beautiful tropical shrub that can be grown as a pot plant. Its leaves are from the first deliciously fragrant, with a penetrating lemon-like odor, surpassing the Lemon Verbena. Very fine indeed, and valuable for bouquets.. 10

COLEUS.

Coleus.

The most popular foliage plant grown. Seeds germinate well, and will produce plants with finely variegated foliage. Our seed is saved from the best named varieties and will please all who try it. Per pkt.

Extra Choice Mixed. Many new sorts..... 25

Ferns.

Ferns are exquisite for table or drawing-room decoration, wardian cases, hanging baskets or rockeries. Spores are very fine, and should be surface sown on sifted soil, and covered with glass. If sown in ordinary pot saucers, necessary moisture can be supplied by placing a saucer of soil inside of a larger saucer that has been filled with tepid water. The water will filter through, and will not wash the soil over the spores as surface watering is apt to do.

Mixed Sorts. All the finest varieties..... 25

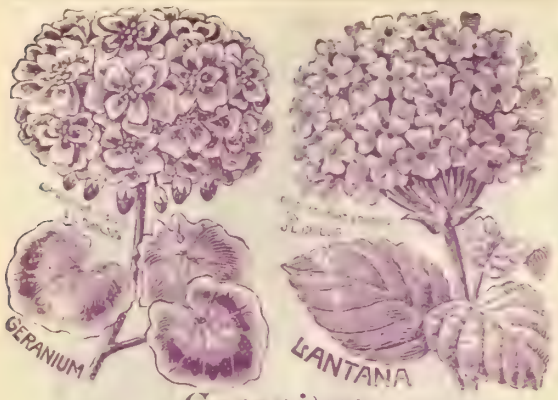
Palms.

Grand decorative plants for the house or piazza, and increases in value each year. Easily grown from seeds, which are slow, but quite sure to germinate.

Mixed Sorts. Many varieties..... 20
Filifera, or Weeping. Very fine and easily grown.... 10

Musa Ensette.

Fine single specimens of this are grand beyond description, and give a massive, tropical effect that nothing else can equal. It grows several feet high the first season, with huge, wide-spreading leaves that dwarfs everything near it. Give sun, rich soil and abundance of water..... 20



Geranium.

Very easily grown from seeds, and if started early will bloom the next summer and fall. Seedling plants are always healthy.

	Per pkt.
Zonale. Choice mixed, from fine sorts	10
Zonale Extra Choice. Mixed, from finest new varieties	20
Apple Scented. Very delightfully scented leaves	10
Double Mixed. Saved especially for us from the finest new sorts, and will produce some of the best double varieties in existence	30
Bronze and Silver Tri-Color. Fine foliage sorts	30
Pelargonium, or Lady Washington. Fine mixed	30
Ivy. Fine double flowered; ivy leaved; grand	30

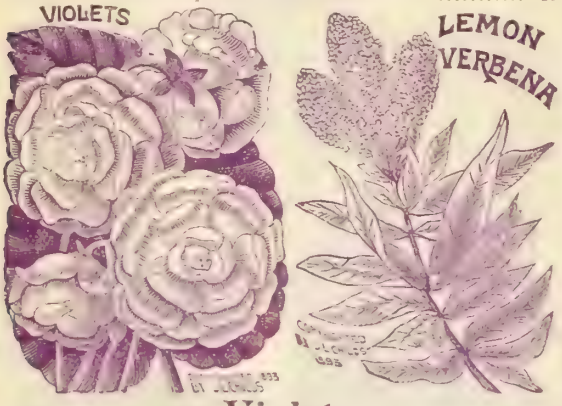
Lantana.

A little slow to germinate, but seedlings grow rapidly and soon make thrifty plants. An extra fine bedding plant, with very brilliant verbena-like flowers. We offer a very fine strain. Flowers in all shades of vermilion, orange, lemon, white and pink.

Mixed Colors. A fine collection 10

Lemon Verbena.

Everyone knows the Lemon Verbena, and everyone ought to have a few specimens of it; its fragrant foliage is so fine to use in bouquets and other floral work 10



Violet.

A fine collection of many fine varieties and colors—blue, lavender, white. Many of the finest scented varieties are included.

Mixed Sorts 15

Passiflora.

The seeds of Passifloras are large and easily grown. Some varieties are grown for their elegant foliage, others for their beautiful and curious cornet-like blooms. A fine vine for an arch or window, or for planting out in summer.

Mixed Sorts 10

Smilax.

This elegant vine is easily grown from seed, which, though slow to germinate, is sure to grow. Not only a fine window vine, but exceedingly fine for outdoor planting wherever a small growing vine is wanted. In the open ground it grows luxuriantly, furnishing great quantities of its dainty, glossy-green sprays that are exquisite to use in cut-flower work, and remains fresh and green until after early frosts. In the house it requires good light and freedom from dust. Its feathery little blooms are delicately fragrant, but its chief merit is its exquisitely beautiful foliage 10

Primula Sinensis.

Ask any florist you will for a list of good house plants, and one of the very first plants he mentions will be the Primula. Everyone counts them as one of the "must haves" of winter bloomers, and with good reason. Easy to grow, pretty in leaf, handsome in flower and continuously in bloom for months at a time. These merits alone would earn it a place in every window, but when we add that it is one of the few plants never attacked by insects and that it will blossom in a sunless window, where a Geranium or Heliotrope would never show a bud, it is clear that the smallest collection would never be complete without it. Young, vigorous plants are always the best, and are easily grown if the seed is sown on light, porous soil, underlaid with charcoal, and kept moist, but not wet, until the seeds germinate, which will be in about two weeks. Give the young plant plenty of air and plunge pots in the summer in cool, shady places. In potting see that the soil at rim of pot is lower than in the center, as water standing on the crowns rots them. In the house they will stand plenty of light, but not hot sun. Our seed is saved from the choicest strains and can be relied upon to produce the largest flowers and finest colors.

	Per pkt.
Mixed. Very good; from a fine collection	10
Fimbriata. Extra fine; large flowering; mixed	20
Fimbriata Filicifolia. Mixed; (fern-leaved) beautiful cut-leaved foliage	20
Fimbriata Globosa. Mixed colors. This is a new strain of Fimbriata, with unusually large flowers of great substance and colors; very clear and pleasing. Colors pure white with large lemon eye; deep red, carmine, white and pink, striped, flaked with other colors, etc. This strain is an extra fine one for pot culture; to many more pleasing than even the double varieties	30
Fimbriata Cristata Hybrids. Fine new hybrid strain with crisped foliage and producing a great diversity of colors from white to deep crimson. We believe that this new strain of Chinese Primrose will become very popular, on account of its distinct appearance and large blossoms of distinct and bright colors.	
Fimbriata, fl. pl., Alba. Fine double white	50
Fimbriata, fl. pl., Rosea. Beautiful double Rose	50
Fimbriata, fl. pl., Double, Mixed Colors. The double Primulas are among the choicest of all window plants, and the admiration of all who see them. All colors, mixed, an extra choice strain	40
Obconica. Strong plants of this are everbloomers, flowering for ten or twelve months at a time, without a day's intermission. Flowers in umbels well above the foliage, white, tinted with pale lilac. Quite unlike other Primulas, being a distinct species	20

HARDY PERENNIALS.

These are all hardy plants which live in the garden year after year, blooming every spring or summer, with little or no care. They are exceedingly beautiful, while many of them are among the brightest gems of the floral kingdom. As a rule, they bloom early in the spring, when the garden is almost destitute of flowers. What garden is complete without the Sweet William, Digitalis, Delphinium, Aquilegia, Hollyhock, etc.? Do not fail to sow seed of a good collection of these beautiful hardy plants this season; they will be a joy for the rest of your liftime. Sow seed in the open ground any time from May 1st to the end of July.

Aquilegia.

One of the best of the early summer perennials. Curious flowers, extremely graceful and beautiful, and borne in great quantities high above the foliage, which itself is very beautiful and attractive. Extra fine for cutting. Per pkt.

Prize Mixture. This strain embraces more than one hundred varieties, double and single, and of all shapes and colors..... 10
Chrysantha. Large golden yellow..... 10
Stuarti. Flowers 4 inches across, blue and white..... 25

AURICULA.

Auricula and Cowslips.

Charming early spring flowering hardy plants of the Primrose family. Highly prized by all.

Auricula, Mixed Hybrids. Elegant large flowering strain of a wide range of attractive colors..... 10
Cowslip. The charming old English flower..... 10
Large Yellow. The great yellow, hardy Primrose..... 10

Honeysuckle.

Everyone knows the Honeysuckle, with its delicious fragrance, but everyone does not know that it is quite easily grown from seed, blooming the second season with ordinary care. We often find thrifty young plants coming up under our vines that have grown from self-sown seed.

Mixed Sorts...... 10
Pure White. Fine sweet-scented..... 10
Deep Scarlet..... 10

Adonis Vernalis.

A very fine, early spring perennial, growing one foot high, and bearing profuse quantities of bright yellow flowers. Fine for permanent edging or borders..... 5

ADONIS.

ALYSSUM.

Alyssum Saxatile.

A lovely hardy plant, which during May is a perfect mass of the brightest golden blossoms ever seen. In general appearance it is like the ordinary Sweet Alyssum..... 5

Candytuft.—(*Iberis.*)

One of the very best early perennials, and extra fine for cemetery use, as the plants are a solid mass of white at just the time when flowers are most scarce, and as the plants are perfectly hardy they need no fussing with. Those who have never grown the Iberis have missed a floral treat.

Pruiti. Dwarf, extra early and fine..... 10
Sempervirens. Large flowering, pure white..... 5

HONEYSUCKLE.

CAMPANULA.

Campanula.

Beautiful plants for house or border culture. Large bell-shaped flowers, very cheerful and attractive. Sow seed early in open ground, cover lightly and thin plants to stand twelve inches apart.

Double, Mixed Colors. A fine strain..... 5

Delphinium.

One of the choicest perennials known, and increases in beauty each year. Tall, stately growing, with immense spikes of the most brilliant flowers in all shades of lavender, mauve, pale, medium and deep, dark blues. Sow seeds in autumn or very early in spring, and plants will bloom the first summer. Very hardy. Give half shade. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors. All sorts..... 10

Digitalis.

One of our special favorites. This, with the double Hollyhock and the Delphinium, form a stately trio of tall-growing plants than which nothing finer can be chosen for backgrounds, center of wide borders, interspersing with shrubbery, etc. If plants are not allowed to seed, they are crowned for months by long pyramidal spikes of lovely pendant thimble-shaped bells, snow white, rosy blush, or exquisitely shaded or spotted. The blooms are nearly or quite two inches in length, and lap each other with the utmost regularity. For the center of large bouquets they are almost equal to spikes of Gladiolus.

Mixed Colors. Fine strain..... 5

Gloxinoides Grandiflora. A strain with large, beautiful, Gloxinia-like blossoms. Extra..... 10

Hibiscus, Hardy Hybrids.

A fast-growing perennial that in one season attains the height and dimensions of a shrub. Exceedingly fine for clumps or an ornamental hedge or screen, as they last always, never winter-kill, and in midsummer, when shrubbery flowers are scarce, they bear for weeks enormous flowers as large as tea-saucers, white, blush, pale and deep pink, rose, etc., the most of them with deeper-hued eye. Plants from spring-sown seed will bloom in September of the same year.

Mixed Colors..... 10

Hollyhock.

One of the finest of all perennials, and unsurpassed as a stately, imposing plant for backgrounds, screens, center of wide borders, etc. Plants grow from four to six feet high, and bear pyramidal spikes of large rosette-like flowers of every shade and color, from pure white to almost black. The yellow, magenta, rose and black are intensely pure and deep, while the pure white, pale lemon, soft pink and lavender shades are exquisitely soft and delicate. The pearly blooms of the pure white Hollyhocks are as fine for all floral work as the most double Rose or Camellia. If seeds are started very early, plants often bloom the next September.

Per pkt.

Double White. Pure and true..... 10

Double Magenta. Fine bright color..... 10

Double Lemon. Pure, bright lemon color..... 10

Double Pink. Very delicate and pretty..... 10

Midnight. Double black..... 10

Double, Mixed Colors. Very choice, embracing over twenty different shades..... 10

Cem of Yellow. This is a new sort, very dwarf and very double, and of the finest brilliant yellow color. The flowers set so close on the stalks that it is one gigantic spike of bloom. It is the finest of all Hollyhocks..... 10

One paper each of above seven sorts, for.

Coreopsis Lanceolata.

A graceful and profuse blooming plant with large, striking flowers of a brilliant golden yellow, and remains in bloom all summer. Its long, wiry stems fit it admirably for bouquet making, while its golden cloud of blooms far above the foliage makes it a capital bedder..... 10

Iris.

Too well known to need description. These superb flowering plants are easily grown from seed.

Kæmpferi. Mixed double and single..... 10

Germanica. Fine mixed..... 10

Siberica. Mixed colors..... 5

Linum Perenne.

Not entirely new, yet little known and rarely seen, although it is one of those flowers of dainty beauty that is appreciated when seen, but can never be justly described. We will not attempt to convey to our readers an impression of its great beauty; this they can never know until they see it, but will say that it is a hardy perennial, sending up numerous stems which send out long, wiry branches, which are clothed with a growth of small, almost hair-like foliage. At the tips of the branches are poised large, salver-shaped blossoms, borne with such airy grace that they appear to be floating in the air. The effect is charming. No garden in the land should be without this exquisite flower. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors. Blue, white and pink..... 15

PERENNIAL PEA

Perennial Pea.

No praise can be too high for this lovely iron-clad vine, that blooms constantly from early summer until late autumn, minding neither heat or cold, rain nor drouth. Plants small and feeble the first season, but ever after a picture of vigor and healthfulness, bearing a profusion of long-stalked clustered flowers, white, pink and deep rose in color, each flower an inch or more across. It is strange that they are so rarely seen, for they are easily grown, perfectly hardy, and so beautiful that we have never yet seen a person who did not admire their cheerful flowers and clear green foliage. Four to six feet in height.

Mixed, All Colors..... 5
Pure White. Superb..... 10

Picotee Pinks.

These are really hardy Carnations, with flowers more delicate than other pinks, and pleasantly fragrant. Though hardy they are stronger for a little protection over winter.

Mixed Colors. Large flowering..... 15

Sweet William.

The favorite flower of our grandmothers. One of the best edging plants for the border, bearing in early summer large heads of the richest and most varied colors. Very fragrant and a favorite with everyone for vases and bouquets. Per pkt.

Improved Mixed Colors. Perfect in form, large in size, brilliant and varied in colors..... 10
Double White. Very fine..... 10
Double Mixed Colors. Fine double blossoms..... 10

Wallflower.

A favorite English flower somewhat like Ten-weeks Stocks. A half-hardy perennial; very fragrant and fine for cutting or for pots. Where winters are not very severe the Wallflower will live with protection and will bloom very early in spring.

Double Mixed Colors..... 10

Violet.

Seeds slow to germinate, but not at all hard to grow. Every garden should have a good bed of these fragrant favorites.

Garden Sorts Mixed.... 10

Yucca Filamentosa.

The grandest evergreen plant we have for the lawn. The stately clumps of stiff, bayonet-like leaves, bristling out from the center in every direction, are extremely ornamental, but in midsummer they take on an added glory. Thick, woody flower-stalks are thrown up, growing as high as a man's head, and bear at their summit immense compound panicles of creamy, bell-shaped flowers, each floret two inches across. A single panicle will contain 300 or more florets, and will be two feet in length. A grand plant for landscape gardening, and is easily grown..... 10

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

What we say about our Flower Seeds, on page 41, may be said about our Vegetable Seeds. We grow and offer but a limited number of varieties only those which possess the greatest value for the home garden and for the markets. These varieties are also special stocks, cultivated, selected and improved until they have reached the highest mark of perfection which it is possible to attain.

Beets and Turnips, round, smooth, uniform, tender; Cabbage, large, solid, crisp, sure-heading and long-keeping; Tomatoes, large, smooth, uniform, perfect in color, shape and quality; Lettuce, crisp, beautiful and delicious; Corn, rich, sugary, tender and perfect; Melons, of high flavor, quick and robust growth, perfect and luscious; Onions, uniform in size, perfect in shape, delicate in taste; Squashes, early and late, of high quality; Radishes, crisp, mild, perfect in shape and color, and of quick growth. These are all points which we have brought to perfection in our prize strains of Garden Vegetables. Our thousands of customers in every nook and corner of the country know this, and to them we refer those who have never used our Seeds. They can be found everywhere, for we supply nearly half a million planters direct, which is more than the combined output of any other two houses in the world, and is in itself the best possible endorsement of the high quality of our Seeds.

Asparagus.

The earliest vegetable of spring, with a delicious flavor as of green peas. Every family should have a large bed full. Seed grows very readily. Sow in rows one foot apart, and keep free from weeds. Transplant the second year into permanent beds, setting plants two feet apart. Have the ground very rich and mellow, and give the soil an annual top dressing of rotten manure. Nothing more delicious than Asparagus tips stewed until tender, then season with butter, pepper and salt.

New Mammoth. The tender shoots used for cutting are freely produced, and are of enormous size, very tender, rich and delicate. It starts very early in spring and lasts in cutting condition eight weeks. The largest and finest sort grown. Seed, 5c. per pkt.; 15c. per oz.; $1.00 per lb. Fine two-year-old roots, 80c. per dozen; $3.00 per 100.

Artichoke.

Globe. This is cultivated for its unopened flower-buds, which are cooked like Asparagus. On established plants these buds are born econstantly from September until frost, when tender succulent vegetables are getting scarce. Hardy perennial, easily grown in any good garden soil, and lasts for many years. Protect by light litter the first winter. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Beans—(*Pole*).

A standard vegetable, fine for either "snap" or "shell," green or dry beans. Easily grown. Do not plant until the ground begins to get warm, and never hoe while the leaves are wet, as it tends to rust. Give pole sorts support early.

Golden Wax Flageolet. [illegible] popular variety. Robust vines crowded with clusters of wax-like, golden-yellow pods, full, fleshy and stringless, and quality of the very best. A handsome light color when cooked. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.

Lazy Wife's. The old standby. A good cornfield Bean, and unsurpassed as a general garden sort. Never fails to produce loads of round, thick-fleshed pods, fine for snaps, and [illegible] Pole or Shell Beans also, and of superior quality. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

Yard Long or Cuban Asparagus. This is a real curiosity. We have measured pods over three feet long, though two [illegible] pods freely borne. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 50c.

Childs' Horticultural. [illegible] exception of the Limas, enjoyed the distinction of being the finest-flavored Shell Bean known, and was also considered very fine as a Snap Bean. Unfortunately it was a poor bearer; but we have come into possession of a strain where this defect has been bred out. This new strain will be found to be as prolific and many-[illegible] retaining its rich flavor. Beans thick, large and round, [illegible] and blotched with chocolate scarlet. A fine dry Bean for baking or for stewing and serving with butter or cream. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.

Early Golden Cluster. This bears a profusion of handsome golden pods, six to eight inches long, and continues in bearing a long time. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 50c.

Mammoth Podded Lima (KING OF THE GARDEN). The Limas have a distinct, rich, buttery flavor, very different from all other sorts, and are much liked by most people, either to use green or dry. Used as Shell Beans only. We consider this variety the finest of all, with enormous pods containing four to six immense beans in each. Give a hot, sunny location. Boil until tender; pour off the water, and season with butter, salt and a little cream. Limas cook much quicker than any other Beans and are incomparably richer. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

Childs' Horticultural Lima. This novelty is a cross [illegible] the old Horticultural Pole—the finest flavored of all common pole beans—and the pole Lima; the richest and most buttery flavored of all beans. In color and [illegible] but is flat like the Lima, while the flavor is a combination of these two finest of all beans. This [illegible] is fully three weeks earlier than any other Lima, and is also much more prolific. An extra good variety for Canada and the Northern States, where the seasons are too short for the tropical Lima to do well. It bears five to seven beans in a pod, and as the pods are numerous, it is exceedingly prolific, which, added to its extreme earliness and [illegible] makes it one of the most important Limas. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.

Willow Leaf Lima. On account of its unique appearance, great productiveness and beauty, this is an extraordinary new bean. It differs from all other beans in its fine, deeply-cut, willow-like foliage, wonderful rapidity of growth and enormous productiveness. Its slender, graceful growth and beautiful wavy green foliage make it quite an ornamental vine, while its rapidity of growth adapts it to positions on porches, verandas, etc., where shade is [illegible] In such a position it is not only double useful, but ornamental. One can form some idea of its great productiveness when we state that as many as 1,720 pods have been counted on one vine. They are produced from early until late, are pure white in color and of extra fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Beans—(*Bush*).

Burpee's Bush Lima. This grows 18 to 20 inches high, of stout growth, erect, branching vigorously into a fine circular bush two or three feet in diameter. This bush character is permanently established, and not two per cent. will attempt to throw up runners. Leaves of large size, healthy and vigorous, leathery and dark emerald green, showing great health and strong constitution. It is the only bush form of the large-seeded Lima, and ten times more valuable than the small seeded sorts. Its yield is quite wonderful, each bush producing 50 to 200 large pods, well filled with beans of great size, and of the true rich, luscious Lima flavor. It is a matter of congratulation that we can now raise the true large Lima without the trouble and expense of obtaining and setting poles. It comes absolutely true from seed, and should be found in every garden now that we can offer it so cheaply. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

Jackson's Wonder Bush Lima. A very prolific Bush Lima, the beans being flat and beautifully speckled, of fair size and fine quality. It is probably twice as prolific as Henderson's Bush Lima, and also a greater yielder than Burpee's. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

Henderson's Bush Lima. This is a bush variety of the small Lima, a very rich, luscious Bean that has the advantage of not requiring poles to run on, while it comes earlier into bearing. The Bush Limas are now very popular. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 45c.

New Early Golden-eyed Wax. Ten days earlier than any other golden wax, and, moreover, is absolutely rust proof. An immense bearer, and pods tender and crisp. A superb market sort, because of its beautiful color and uniformity. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Extra Early Refugee. The earliest strain of Refugee by ten days. One of the most profitable Beans ever grown. Loaded with pods in any season, and of fine quality. Grown by all market gardeners, who are always quick to pick up a good thing and to stick to it after they once see it. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Perfection Wax. Golden yellow pods of fine quality and handsome appearance. Very prolific. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

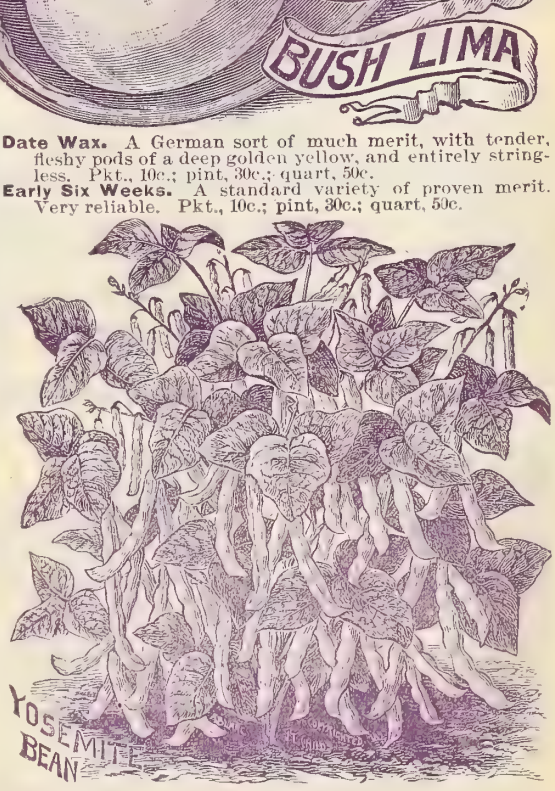
Mexican Prolific Tree. A good field variety that produces 40 to 60 bushels per acre. Each bush a mass of pods. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Refugee Wax. A splendid wax Bean of finest quality and very early. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Improved Golden Wax. Large golden pods, tender and wax-like. A fine variety. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Date Wax. A German sort of much merit, with tender, fleshy pods of a deep golden yellow, and entirely stringless. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Early Six Weeks. A standard variety of proven merit. Very reliable. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.



Yosemite Monster Wax. Mammoth pods 8 to 10 inches long, as thick as one's finger, and very fleshy and thick-meated. Color a rich golden yellow, very clear and wax-like. Bush an enormous bearer; sure to attract attention anywhere from the size of its great pods. Pkt, 10c.; pt., 35c.; qt., 60c.

Beet.

The sweet, tender roots of this are very fine for summer, fall and winter use, while the tops are very useful for greens. Vinegar in which Beets have been pickled is often used to pickle hard-boiled eggs, as it gives them a beautiful color and pleasant flavor. When young and tender, Beets are most delicious if boiled or steamed until tender, then sliced or chopped into small pieces and seasoned with butter and pepper.

Edmand's Blood Turnip. This is winning golden opinions everywhere. Smooth, round shape, exceedingly sweet and tender, and never coarse, tough or stringy. Very early, but remains in good condition for a long time. An extra fine market sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c., lb., 75c.

Eclipse. A very early Beet, of beautiful dark, rich color, and smooth, round shape. Quality of the very best. Our strain is pure. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Dracena Leaved. Brought out as an ornamental leaved plant, which indeed it is; but the table quality of the roots is so very fine it is now classed among table Beets. Roots dark red, and very sweet and tender. Foliage long and narrow and of a deep metallic red. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

Black Queen. A fine new sort of extra fine appearance and quality. Flesh of rich, black-red color, and leaves and stalks partaking of the same ruddy color. Root pear-shaped, smooth, well buried in the ground. A very distinct variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Improved Early Blood Turnip. Very fine quality, and an old, popular sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Early Egyptian Dark Turnip. Another fine standard sort; very early, high-flavored, sweet and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Improved Long Smooth Red. Long, handsome roots, of fine quality. A great cropper and good keeper. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Bastian's Blood Turnip. An early, quick-growing sort, highly esteemed by all market gardeners, as it is large, deep red in color, and very tender and rich when cooked, never losing its fine color. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 50c.

Lane's White Sugar. This is the well-known "Sugar Beet" so largely planted for sugar. Sweetest of all. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

One packet each of above nine sorts for 50c.

GOLDEN TANKARD.

MANGEL WURZEL BEETS.

These giant Beets are grown mainly for stock feeding, and they produce enormous crops. The two following are best, and by far the most productive—in short, all that can be desired:

Mammoth Long Red. This grows to weigh 20 to 30 pounds and is calculated to produce upwards of 50,000 pounds of roots to the acre. Animals are very fond of it, and the roots are very nutritious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.; 5 or 10 lb. lots, by express, at 30c. per lb.

Golden Tankard. A new yellow sort, very sweet and tender. Large oval roots, much easier to pull than the long mangels. A heavy cropper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.; 5 or 10 lb. lots, by express, 30c. per lb.

SNOW BALL CAULIFLOWER.

Cauliflower.

The most luscious of all the Cabbage family. Requires high cultivation and rich soil. Cook by steaming until tender, then dress with drawn butter and serve hot. It is one of the most delicious of garden vegetables.

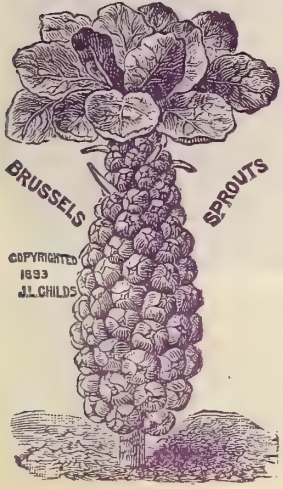
Early Paris. A standard early sort, of compact habit, and fair-sized heads of good quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., $1.00.

Large White French. Large, white heads of finest quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 75c.

Snow Ball. One of the very best varieties for general culture. Dwarf, compact grower, with large heads of snowy whiteness and delicious flavor. This is a sure header, very early, but valuable for late as well as for early Cauliflower. Pkt., 15c.; oz., $2.50; lb., $30.

Earliest Dwarf Erfurt. Valuable for garden culture, and an extra fine forcing sort. Our strain of this is the finest to be had in Germany, and it is considered to be the perfection of all Cauliflowers. Pkt., 25c.; ⅛ oz., $1.00; ½ oz., $3.00; oz., $5.00.

American Beauty. A fine hardy Cauliflower, especially adapted to American soil and climate, as it is an American strain, and American grown seed. Heads early, size large, quality the very best. Pkt., 10c.; oz., $1.00.



Brussels Sprouts.

Defiance. A finely bred, large and tender strain of this delicious vegetable. Stem tall and covered with tender little heads or "sprouts" from top to bottom. Quality very fine when cooked and served like Cabbage. This splendid vegetable should be more generally grown. All who have tried it prefer it to Cabbage. It is easily grown, and those who once try it always grow it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Matchless. A variety of vigorous growth and fine solid sprouts of the very best quality. An extra fine sort, which is highly prized in Europe. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

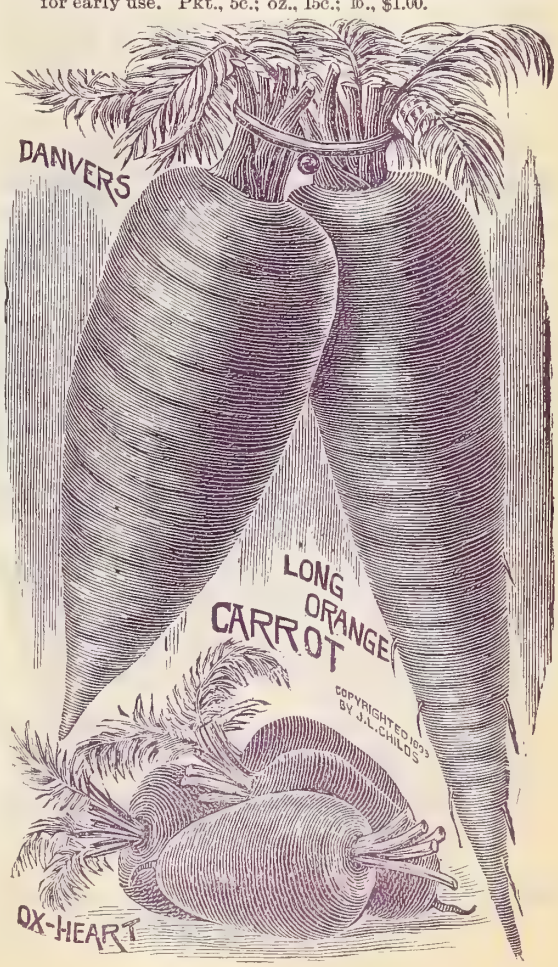
Carrot.

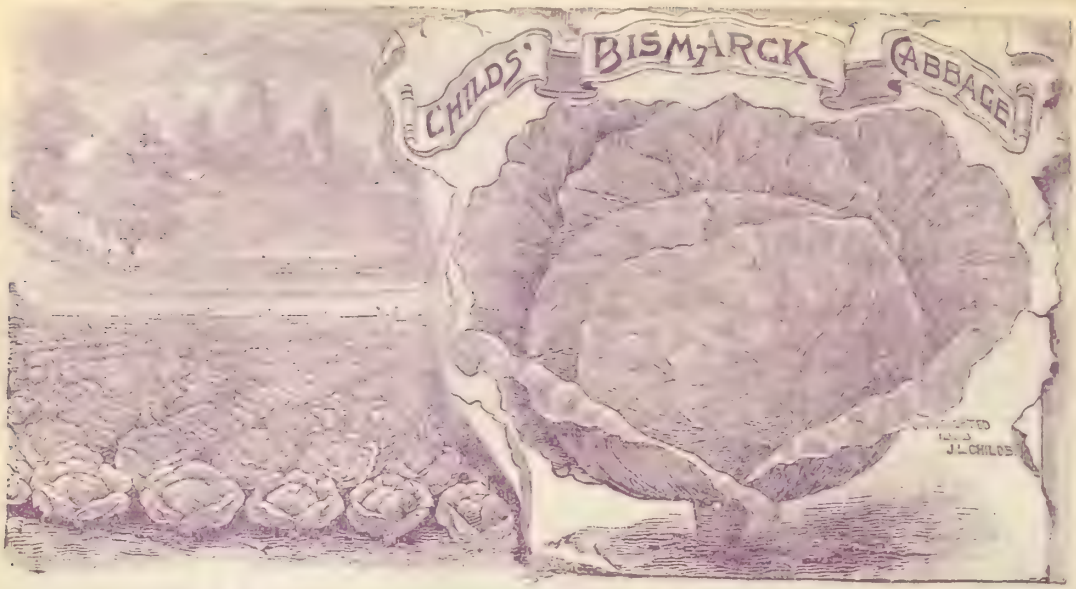
Popular both for table and stock. A heavy cropper. Roots can be kept for winter, like beets or turnips.

Danvers (Private Stock). The true strain. No better to be found anywhere. All gardeners know the importance of securing the best seed to grow really fine crops. This can be relied upon as the best seed to be obtained at any price. This will yield 30 tons per acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Improved Long Orange. A very popular variety for stock feeding. Heavy cropper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

Oxheart. An early table sort; small and short, but fine grained and tender. Can be forced or sown in the garden for early use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

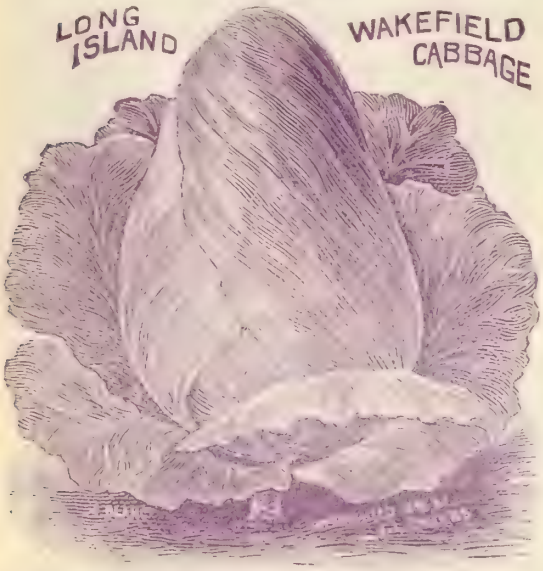




Cabbage.

There is no garden vegetable grown that success or failure so plainly depends upon the quality of seeds sown. Poor seed of Cabbage is dear at any price. Our seed is all raised on Long Island, where the finest Cabbages in the world are grown. We could buy common Cabbage seed for very much less, but we know our customers would rather pay a little more and get seed they can rely upon. Three things are necessary to raise fine Cabbages: Extra good seed, rich, mellow soil, and thorough cultivation.

Childs' Bismarck. This wonderful Cabbage, introduced by us three years ago, was produced by cross-fertilizing extra fine strains of Drumhead, Flat Dutch and Large Drumhead Savoy; then by careful selection and saving for several years a type was established entirely distinct, and, we believe, superior to any other Cabbage. It shows the Savoy blood by dark green color and slightly wavy leaves, though not crinkled. It possesses the largest size ever attained in Drumhead or Flat Dutch and the superb quality of the Savoy. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.75.



Early Long Island Wakefield. A standard variety, early, and of fine quality. Our strain is perfect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.50.

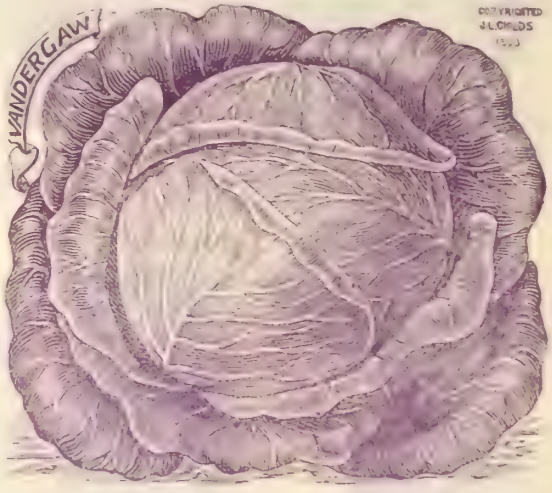
Newark Early Flat Dutch. An early, large Cabbage of excellent quality of the flat-head type. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.

Excelsior Large Flat Dutch. This is a fine strain of Flat Dutch, always a standard sort, particularly in the South and Southwest, as it heads well in hot weather. Quality good and size large. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

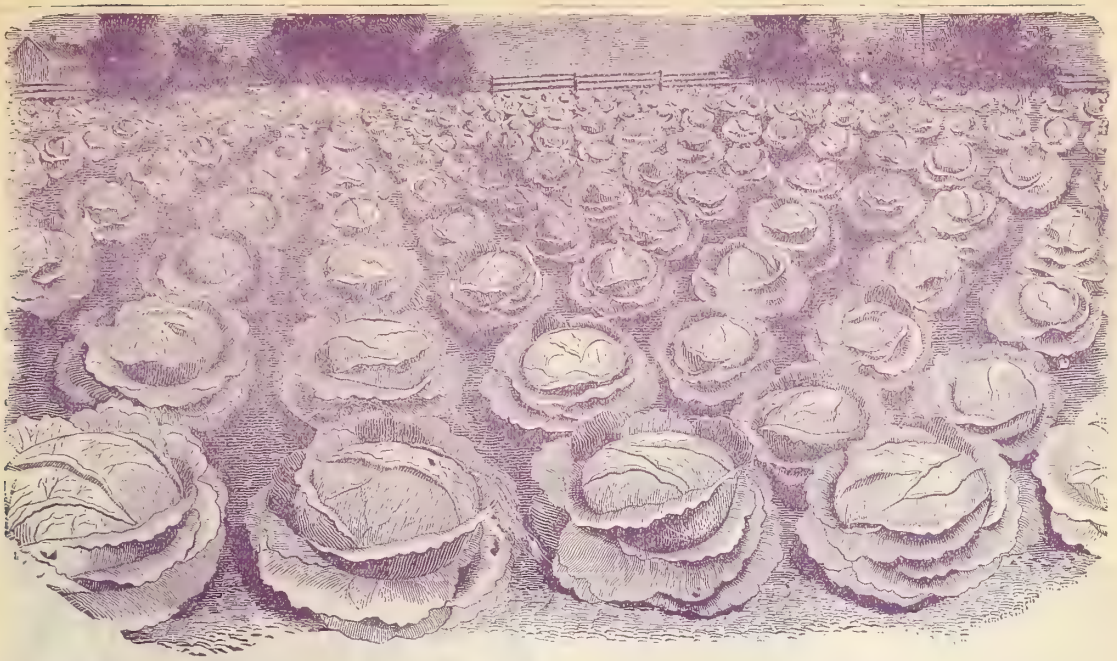
True Surehead. This is also of the Flat Dutch type, and therefore very certain to head, however hot and dry the weather. The heads are large, round, and flat, and very hard and firm of texture, fine grained, and of most excellent quality. It is also a remarkably good shipper and keeper, and is bound to become a universal favorite. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00

Winningstadt. This is a German variety, very distinct, with large, pointed heads, solid and closely packed. Very fine quality and exceedingly popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00;

Red Dutch. The most popular pickling Cabbage. Large deep red. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $2.00.



Vandergaw. The introducer of this is one of the most noted Cabbage growers in the United States, and for years sold seed of this variety to his neighbors for $10.00 per pound. A highly bred Cabbage that could hardly be improved in any respect. Compact, short-stemmed, sure to head, with heads very uniform and hard, few outer leaves, and quality of the very best; crisp, fine grained and delicate and delicious flavor. Can be used as second early, main crop, or as a late Cabbage, by sowing seed in succession. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.



CHILDS' LONG ISLAND CABBAGE.

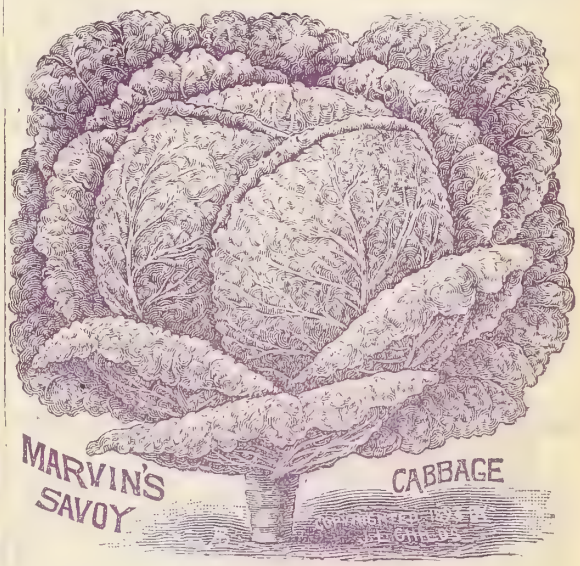
Long Island. A new early sort of great value, and one which can ne grown for early, medium or late crops either at the North or South. It is very early, of large size, uniform and a sure header; it does not burn or blister, but retains its lustrous, fresh green color even after being shipped to distant markets; hence its great selling qualities. By those who have grown it, it is said to be the most valuable Cabbage in cultivation, and from our experience we can say that it really is the finest and most profitable sort to grow either North or South. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

World Beater. A new Cabbage, as large or larger than Marblehead Mammoth, yet uniform in size and true to type, and a *very solid header*. No doubt it is the very best Mammoth Cabbage to be had. Originated here on Long Island by a noted Cabbage grower. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.25.

All-Seasons. As the name would indicate, good for all seasons—early, medium or late. A sure header and long keeper; quality very fine. It is a remarkably good new sort. Head large and solid, round with flat top, finest quality, and ready for marketing almost as early as the standard early sorts. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

Succession. A second early sort, of uniformly very large size, very full and handsome. A fine selling variety which always brings a good price. A cabbage which has had a remarkable sale and is a general favorite everywhere among market gardeners. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.50.

Perfection Drumhead Savoy. The Savoy Cabbages are not nearly as much grown as they ought to be. Easily distinguished by their crisped, wrinkled leaves and their distinct, marrow-like flavor when cooked, approaching the taste of Cauliflower more nearly than any other Cabbage. This is one of the best Savoys. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.



Marvin's Savoy. An extra fine Savoy. A sure header with large wrinkled heads, that are delightfully tender and crisp. A fall and winter Cabbage, keeping well and not losing its flavor. The best of all Savoys, which have the most delicate flavor and are more crisp and tender than other Cabbages. A superb sort for the home garden. Pkt., 10c., oz., 30c.: $3.00.

SPECIAL OFFER.

For only 75c. we will send one packet each of these fourteen finest Cabbages. It gives one a chance to ascertain the best sorts for their locality.

Cucumber.

Do not try to grow Cucumbers in poorly prepared ground. Make low flat hills from four to six feet apart, each hill two or three feet across, and thoroughly pulverized sixteen to eighteen inches deep. Mix a large shovelful of rotted manure in the soil of each hill, and plant from six to eight seeds in each, as some are apt to fail. If bugs appear, dust with slug shot or with lime and soot. Allow no fruit to ripen on vines. For pickles and late Cucumbers, seed can be sown as late as July.

Childs' Ivory Monarch. The king of all Cucumbers, growing nearly two feet in length and weighing five or six pounds. Six times larger than any other sort. It is really a monster, and when half grown exceedingly fine in quality. Its enormous size, great beauty and oddity make it one of the finest vegetables for exhibiting at fairs, and it never fails to capture first prize. Its flesh is thick and solid, with a very small seed cavity, and, notwithstanding its size, it has fewer seeds than any other Cucumber we ever saw. Pkt., 15c.; 2 pkts., 30c.

Giant Pera. A very popular Turkish variety, altogether distinct from any other Cucumber. It needs more cultivation and is then very fine. A profuse bearer of smooth round fruits from twelve to twenty inches long, flesh white, crisp and brittle, with very few seeds, and quite free from all unpleasant "green" taste. The vine is a strong, rank grower and bears until frost. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

Improved Early Russian. One of the most valuable, especially in the South. It is so very dwarf, hills need be only three feet apart, yet it is one of the most prolific varieties of all, bearing its short, plump fruits in clusters, and if not allowed to ripen seed will bear from June until October, and that in hot, dry weather that crisps almost every other variety, root and branch. It needs deep, rich hills to do this, but is certain then to succeed. We believe there is no variety superior to this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.50.

Bennett's White Spine. (PRIVATE STOCK.) Our seed of this is saved from one of the finest stocks on Long Island, and Long Island leads the world on choice garden vegetables. These Cucumbers grow seven to ten inches long, uniformly plump and full to the very ends, a glossy dark green in color. A superior variety in every respect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Early Green Cluster. A prolific variety, with crisp, brittle fruit. A fine pickling variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

Japanese Climbing. This Cucumber is such a strong and vigorous grower that the vines attain twice the length of ordinary varieties. The vines climb readily, and they may be grown on fences, poles or trellises, thus saving much valuable space in small gardens. The fruit are of a fine lovely green color, about a foot in length. Flesh thick and firm and of splendid quality. Never bitter and exceedingly fine for pickling, as well as for slicing. The vines never mildew and the fruit being raised well above the ground is always free from insects, rot or rust. When picked freely a vine will continue bearing during the entire season and one hill will keep a good sized family supplied with this delicious vegetable all summer. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Long China. A very solid Cucumber, with few seeds, and growing eighteen to twenty inches long. A fine and prolific variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.25.

Thorburn's Everbearing. Claimed to even excel the Early Russian in its everbearing character, producing fruit in immense quantities, whether fruit is allowed to ripen on the vines or not. Fine for table or for pickles. Cucumbers short and thick. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.

Cherkin. Classed with Cucumbers, although really not a Cucumber at all. Small, thick, oval fruits, very prickly, crisp and tender. Used only for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Green Prolific Pickling. A standard pickling variety, with slender, dark-green fruit, very crisp. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Emerald. A new sort, of beautiful shape and fine green color. Flesh tender and crisp and fine flavored, and of beautiful appearance. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50.

One packet each of above eleven sorts, 75c.

Sweet Corn.

Every family garden ought to have a selection of Sweet Corn, from the earliest to the latest varieties. Fine for drying, as well as for summer table use.

Cory Extra Early. One of the most valuable early corns grown. One to two weeks earlier than any other sort, except Childs' Honey Dew, while the ears are plump and of good size, and quality sweet, tender and delicious. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.

Improved Ruby. This is not the mixed strain that was first introduced, but a choice selection free from all culls or poorly colored specimens. The Improved Ruby is an extremely novel, beautiful and fine flavored variety. The stalks and husks are of a beautiful claret red color, contrasting beautifully with the pearly white ears within. Quality extra good, kernels being very sweet and tender. Best table variety. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

Amber Cream. A medium early variety of robust growth. Ears ten to fourteen inches long, with very rich, sugary flavor. Very fine. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25.; quart, 40c.

Evergreen. A grand late sort that remains in bearing a long time. Sweet and good. An old standard favorite. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.

Mammoth. Immense ears, of superb quality, very late. Can scarcely be omitted from a first-class garden. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Golden Hybrid. This is a cross between Field and Sweet Corn, giving it a peculiar flavor, much liked by many, while as rich and tender as the best Sweet. A beautiful Corn of a clear golden yellow when cooked, fine to dish up with ears of pure white and deep red varieties. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30.; quart, 50c.

Burbank's Early Maine. Claimed to be as early as the Cory. A fine table sort, with creamy-white kernels, very sweet and juicy. This strain has been developed by very careful selection, and will please all who try it. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c,

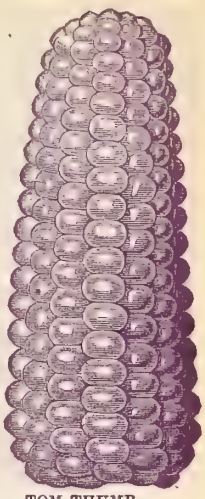
Shoe Peg, Ne Plus Ultra, or Quaker Sweet. One of the very best eating varieties grown. An old sort, but none the less valuable on that account. Very deep kernels, of the sweetest and most appetizing flavor, and one of the best of all for drying and canning. A prolific and thoroughly reliable Corn. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Red Evergreen. A sport from the common Evergreen, and, like it, very large and sweet. Each ear has from 12 to 14 rows of long ruby red kernels, very striking in contrast with white. Pkt., 15c

Childs' Honey Dew. See Novelties.

Childs' California. See Novelties.

One packet each of above eleven sorts, 90c.



TOM THUMB.

Pop Corn.

Here's something for the boys and girls. Did you ever see a youngster that did not enjoy popping corn and a watching the hard little kernels burst suddenly out into balls of white, light as a feather, and deliciously crisp and toothsome? Give every boy and girl a row of Pop Corn for his or her own. The sweet little misses like the pretty sorts, the boys like those that bear the most. Then, with nuts and apples, games to play and corn to pop, our little folks will pass away the long winter evenings with mirth and happiness at home, rather than on the streets. The following sorts are mostly new and of greatly improved quality:

California Golden. Beautiful little golden ears but two or three inches long, and crowded with little pointed grains that pop out large, light and snowy white. Often used for Christmas decoration, both the little golden ears and the white popped corn strung on long strings for festooning. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Mapledale Prolific. This is the Pop Corn for profit. The stalks bear the almost incredible number of 10 to 20 ears to each stalk, while the quality is very fine. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

Golden Tom Thumb. This Pop Corn only grows 18 inches high, and the dainty little ears are only two inches long with smooth, golden-yellow kernels in regular rows. This little toy corn is not only very pretty, but it pops beautifully white and large, and is very crisp and tender. Its compact growth fit it for city or village lots, where land is reckoned by the foot, not by the acre. Golden Tom Thumb grows quickly and ripens its crop by the first of August. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Queen's Golden. A splendid new Pop Corn, with beautiful bright golden ears; a heavy yielder and a sturdy grower. Kernels pop out as white as snow, and are very tender and finely flavored. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.

New Striped. A fancy variety, very showy, while its quality is of the very best. Rather large ears, filled out with clear, transparent white kernels, beautifully striped with bright crimson. An early and productive variety, and one of great beauty. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts. for 25c.

Improved Red Rice. A good old sort, with good-sized ears and dark-red kernels that pop as white as snow. Indispensable on account of the great beauty of its rich ruby-colored ears. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.

Snowflake. Flinty white kernels set thickly on the cob. Pops out large and white, and is very sweet and tender. Ear large and thickly set with very heavy kernels. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 75c.

Tattooed Yankee. A new and exceedingly odd variety from Maine. It is of the rice type, color golden yellow, the ear being blotched, spotted and marked in various places with tattoo black kernels. It is of fine appearance, very early, an abundant yielder, and an extra fine sort for popping. Attracts great attention at fairs. Pkt., 10c

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only 50c. we will send one packet each of these eight odd and superb sorts of Pop Corn.*

Celery.

A vegetable at once healthy, toothsome and beautiful. Said by physicians to be of great benefit in all diseases of the nerves and kidneys. Deliciously fresh, crisp and nutty to the taste, and with the broad stalks ivory-white, waxy-yellow or rosy-red, tipped with finely compound leaflets of pale, glaucous green, are ornaments to the finest table. Sow early in house or hot-bed, and transplant or sow outdoors when the ground becomes warm, making the soil very smooth. When plants are four or five inches high, transplant, giving six inches between plants in the row. Have the soil very fine and rich, plant in trenches, and as the plants grow, draw the earth closely around them to blanch the stems. Never do this in wet weather, or the stems will rust. South of the Ohio, Celery can remain in the ground all winter, with a little protection. In the North, plants should be taken up and stacked closely together with soil firmed around the roots, and kept in cellar or pit for use.

Giant Pascal. A sport from the Golden Self-Blanching, of immense size, broad, thick, stringless stalks, remarkably crisp and nutty, easy to blanch, and the very best keeper of any Celery. The huge stalks of this kind will "snap" almost like glass, they are so tender, and they never are watery or stfong. Fine market sort, and one of the very best for the home garden. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.00.

GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING.

White Plume. One of the most beautiful of all, and the earliest. Brittle, fine grained, and the easiest known sort to blanch. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.00.

Golden Self-Blanching. Fine to follow White Plume. An exceedingly fine-flavored sort, blanches easily to a beautiful golden yellow, and is very brittle and crisp. No garden complete without

New Rose. A fine rose-colored and nutty. Much liked.

Fern-Leaved. The quality of the Celery is very fine, while the leaves are finely cut and fringed, almost like a fern. Fine for decoration of table, being as beautiful as parsley. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Giant Turnip-Rooted, or Celeriac. Stalks hollow, watery and worthless. Bulbs like a small turnip, with a pronounced celery flavor, excellent sliced and cooked for stews, salads, soups, etc. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

One packet each of the six sorts, 50c.

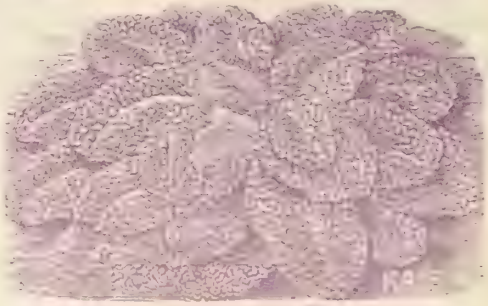
Cress

Extra Curled. An appetizing relish, of fresh, piquant taste, often added to lettuce and other fresh salads for variety. Splendid for canaries, who are very partial to it, and keep healthier for its use. Very easy to grow, and can be sown in any little nook or vacant spot. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Water Cress. Grown in moist, wet places, or at the edge of running streams. Increases rapidly, is very hardy, and as it is of an evergreen nature, can be used all winter. A salad bowl heaped full of this Cress, of dark-green leaves, is a pretty sight in January. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.

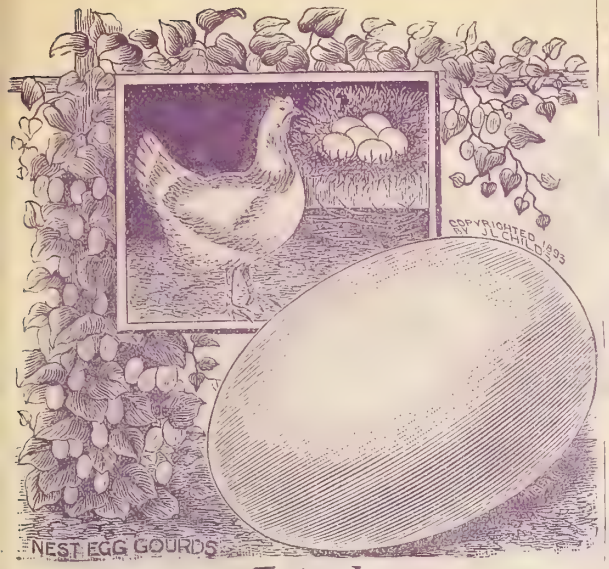
Dandelion.

Improved Large Leaved. The old "greens" of our grandmothers, now improved to large tufty plants, with wide, long leaves of superior quality. These make a very healthful, nutritious and pleasant food, that can be used very early in the season. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.



Kale, Dwarf German.

is very easily grown and much hardier than any , standing the winters well, if protected by a little or straw. The action of frost improves their nderfully, and they are particularly fine for winter and early spring greens. Sow seed in May or June and transplant as for Cabbage. For spring use they may be sown as late as September. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.



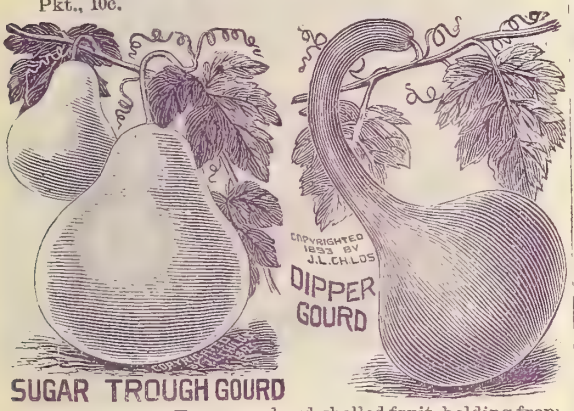
Gourds.

Nest Egg, Improved. A striking vine when hanging full of its pretty, curious fruit, that so closely resemble smooth, well-shaped hen's eggs that a hen might well be excused for claiming them as her own production. As the shells become very tough and hard they do not crack or burst open in freezing weather, and are thus very useful for nest eggs. Very ornamental as well as useful. This strain always comes true from seed. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Dipper. Another useful Gourd that, as its fruit is light and strong and does not rust or rot or heat easily, is just right to use in dipping hot liquids, soap, etc., besides being useful for birds' nests, fancy hanging baskets, etc. They hold one from one pint to a quart and a half each. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Dish Cloth. Ornamental enough for a house vine and fruit very useful. Vines grow large and robust, with large luxuriant dark-green leaves and really handsome, large, crimped flowers of a rich golden yellow. Fruit enormous, two feet in length, and borne in great profusion. The lining of mature fruit, when washed and bleached in sun, is porous, tough, elastic, sponge-like, making the nicest, cleanest substitute for dish-cloths and bath sponges imaginable, besides being very useful for various articles of fancy work. Start early. Pkt., 10c.

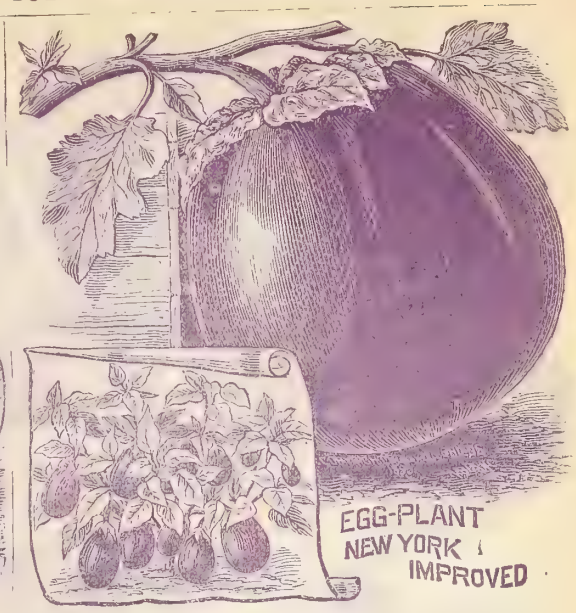
Spoon. Beautiful little Gourds, which, when cut open, make very good spoons, with both bowl and handle. Pkt., 10c.



Sugar Trough. Enormous hard-shelled fruit, holding from three to ten gallons each, and as they never rust or rot, and are very light and strong, are just right to use as receptacles for lard, salt, seed corn, soap, etc., or to use as nesting boxes, buckets, etc. They last for years. Pkt., 10c.

Hercules Club. Enormous, long club-shaped fruit, very curious and at the same time exceedingly useful to use in storing various articles, as the fruit is hard-shelled and last for years in perfect condition. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

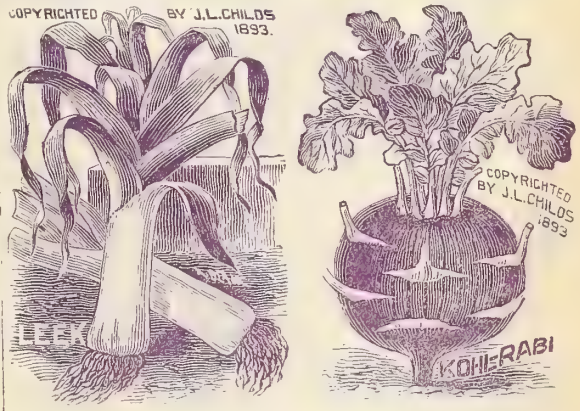
One packet each of the six sorts, 30c.



Egg Plant.

NEW YORK IMPRPVED.

Very popular in all the city markets. This is the earliest, finest and largest variety grown, and a fine sort for either market or private garden. Start seed in hot-bed and transplant into warm, rich, mellow soil. The fruit is very handsome, large, smooth and round and of a rich, shining purple-black color, and is borne until frost. Cook by cutting into half or quarter-inch slices, and after paring dip them into salted water for an hour, then dip in bealen egg and cracker crumbs and fry in hot fat until golden brown. It has a meaty flavor much liked by everybody. This is absolutely the very finest strain of Egg Plant in cultivation. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 75c.; lb., $5.00.



Leek, New Giant Italian.

The Leek is a very hardy, easily-grown vegetable, of mild, agreeable flavor, and is much used for soups, stews, etc. as its flavor is more delicate than that of an Onion. This is a new and very large variety, the best for general cultivation. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Kohl Rabi.

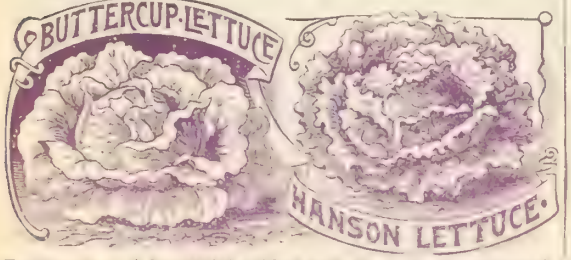
Extra Early Vienna. A curious vegetable, in appearance half way between a Turnip and a Cabbage, with a turnip-like swelling of the stem above ground which, while young and tender, has a delicious Cauliflower-like flavor, very appetizing and pleasant. Transplant from seed bed into rich, mellow ground. Very easily grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Late Giant. An extraordinary sort on account of its enormous size: grows to weigh 20 pounds and is very tender and fine. A splendid show variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $3.00.

Lettuce.

An indispensable vegetable, certainly the finest salad plant known. Easily grown, either in the garden, and can be sown very early. Suitable for Market Gardener's line, can be sown in open ground in fall, and needs only a slight protection of straw or salt hay to be perfectly hardy.

Childs' Half Dentury. We all know how much careful selection year after year has to do with the quality of our vegetables, but the most we hear of such doings can claim a half-century's descent from only the choicest and best specimens of one type. This Lettuce can do so, however, and we are not surprised, therefore, at its superior qualities. Its leaves fold together, forming a long, loose head, remarkable for tenderness and delicious flavor. It may seem a good deal to say, but it is, nevertheless, a fact, that for tenderness, brittleness add delicious quality, this Lettuce, grown in the open ground, surpasses any other sort grown under glass. Nothing can approach it in quality. It is so brittle and tender that its leaves break to pieces in handling, if care is not used. Fifty years is a long time to cultivate, select and improve any vegetable; but it has surely accomplished much in this Lettuce. It is a quick grower and attains its full size in forty to fifty days, and remains in fine condition for a very long time. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.



Buttercup. A beautiful golden sort, the leaves ornamental as flowers. Large ... quality; beautiful golden yellow. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

New Hanson. Our Southern customers say this is the finest Lettuce they can grow. Plants large and uniform, perfect heads, quality superlatively fine, and stands heat extraordinarily well. There is probably no better large heading sort than this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Curled Simpson. A fine old sort, still able to hold its own against all new comers. In every respect this is a first-class sort, and always popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Denver Market, or Savoy. An early variety of Head Lettuce, either for forcing or open ground. Forms large, solid heads of a good light green color. The leaves are beautifully marked and blistered (like Savoy Cabbages) and crisp and tender; of excellent flavor. This is in many respects a most unique Lettuce, and one which will be very popular as soon as known, occupying the same place among Lettuces as Savoys do among Cabbages. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

LETTUCE, TOMHANNOCK.

Tomhannock. Just the Lettuce we have all been looking for; one that will stand the hot dry weather of midsummer without growing bitter, tough or running to seed. It makes a beautiful bunch a foot high, and even more across, and the leaves are delightfully crisp and tender. Light green, well bronzed. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Golden Heart. A very handsome, large-growing variety of rich, golden-yellow color. Good quality; grows quickly, and is ready to use early. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

White Paris Cos. This is a popular Eurspean sort, and is good for forcing, early or summer sowing. Well grown heads weigh 5 to 7 pounds. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.35.

Tennisball. A very firm head Lettuce, and one of the very best of all for forcing. Largely grown for the critical Boston market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $100.

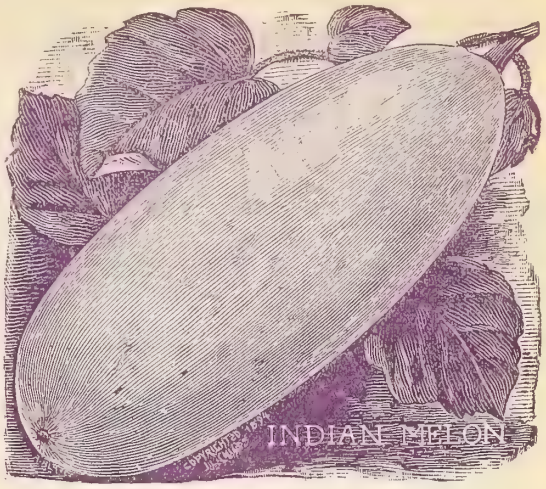
Boston Fine Curled. An early, beautiful sort, with beautifully curled green leaves, and very crisp and tender. This is a splendid sort for forcing in greenhouses or frames. Pkt., 5c.; oz.; 15c.; lb., $1.50.

New Hard Head. Almost as solid as a Cabbage. Although it forms a head quickly, it stands a long time before seeding. Quality of the very best, and entirely free from biiterness. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

LETTUCE, CREAM BUTTER.

Cream Butter. A crisp, tender, richly-flavored variety, forming large heads of a beautiful creamy color. Medium early, and stands summer heat remarkably well. This is one of the very best summer varieties of head Lettuce we have ever grown. Heads very solid, crisp, and of a beautiful and refreshing cream color. In quality it is very buttery and rich. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

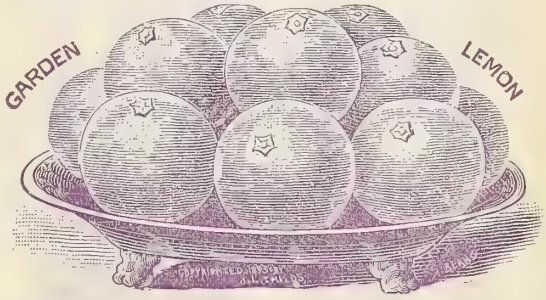
One packet each of the twelve sorts for 60c.



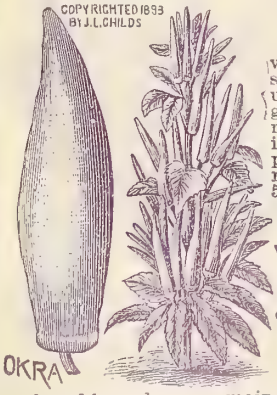
Garden Vine Fruit.

Garden Lemon. This new vegetable is a great boon to all those sections of the country where fruit is scarce, as its fruits make delicious preserves, sauce, etc., and are more easily prepared. This is something like the Vine Peach, but needs no lemon in putting up, as it is is much more acid. Cultivate like the muskmelon. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.40.

Indian Melon. This is the best of the so-called "Vine Fruits" which has yet been introduced. Vine of short and compact growth. Fruit the size of an ordinary cucumber, and extra fine for preserving and for sweet pickles. Of quick and robust growth. Pkt., 10c.



Vine Peach. This sort has fruits the size of a large peach, and of a bright orange color. Flesh firm, and when cooked with lemon to give it a slight acidity, makes fine pies, sauce, sweet pickles, or preserves. Easily grown, and a good keeper. When stored in a cool dry place they keep fresh and good for several months. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.



Okra, White Velvet.

The Okra, or "Gumbo," is very popular for making soups, stews, etc. This new sort is undeniably the best variety grown. Its large thick pods are round and smooth and of an ivory-white color. It is a very profuse bearer, and is ornamental as well as useful. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

Mustard.

White London. Much relished for early greens. Broad, tender leaves and quick grower. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Chinese. A rank grower, several feet in height, and such a rapid grower that leaves may be gathered six weeks after sowing. The broad large leaves remain in condition to use until frost, and are best boiled, like Spinach. A very agreeable flavor, and a welcome addition to our list of really good salad plants. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.

CLIMBING WATER MELON.

Watermelon.

Never plant Watermelons on hard, poor soil. Plant in large, deep, mellow hills, made very rich with well-rotted manure, and you will have great crops of this delicious vegetable, which, to be had at its best, must be picked from one's own garden.

New Climbing. In Northern Russia, where the Watermelon does not mature in the open ground, this variety has been grown trained up on trellises under glass. In this country it does not, of course, need to be grown under glass, as it attains its greatest perfection in the open ground, and is the earliest Watermelon in cultivation, and one which is most unique in many particulars. The melons are freely produced and are spherical in shape, weighing four or five pounds, and a deep olive-green color. The rind is very thin and the flesh rich crimson, very juicy, melting and delicious. The seeds are black and very small, being more like good-sized apple seeds than like watermelon seeds. This is sure to become one of the most popular garden melons on account of its extreme earliness and on account, also, of its most delicious quality and climbing habit. Pkt., 15c.; 3 for 30c.

WHITE GEM.

White Gem. A very distinct variety, brought from China. Round, medium-sized Melons of an ivory whiteness, faintly marked with pale-green stripes. Pink flesh of most delicious flavor, sweet and crisp. Pkt., 10c.

Dixie. A great Watermelon for the South for growing to ship to Northern markets early. It possesses the finest quality, combined with large size, handsome appearance, earliness, long keeping and excellent shipping qualities. It is so much earlier than Kolb's Gem that it gets into market in time to catch the highest prices. It is a great Melon for marketing. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Childs' Ruby Gold. A variety introduced by us. The most beautiful table Melon grown. Fine for table decorations, cut crosswise and alternated with slices of deep-red melons. In shape the Melons are a long oval, two feet or more in length, and will weigh 40 to 60 pounds each. The flesh is a rich, solid golden-yellow with star-like center of carmine or ruby red, almost too beautiful to think of eating, yet its quality is as superior as its appearance. There is absolutely no core or hard spots in it, but the flesh is juicy, sweet, luscious, melting in the mouth almost like ice-cream. Lasts long in perfect condition without getting "stringy" or "mealy." Early, and sure cropper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Hungarian Honey. One of the most delicious varieties known, of an almost honey-like sweetness. Round, dark green melons that will average about ten pounds each; flesh rich and melting. Extra early and fine for the Northern States. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Phinney. An early, oval variety, prolific, sweet and crisp. One of the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Mountain Sweet. A fine old sort, so deliciously sweet and tender that it will almost melt in one's mouth. The best variety for the extreme North, where few Watermelons succeed. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Seminole. An extra early large Melon, of superior quality and a profuse bearer. Melons either gray or light green in color. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

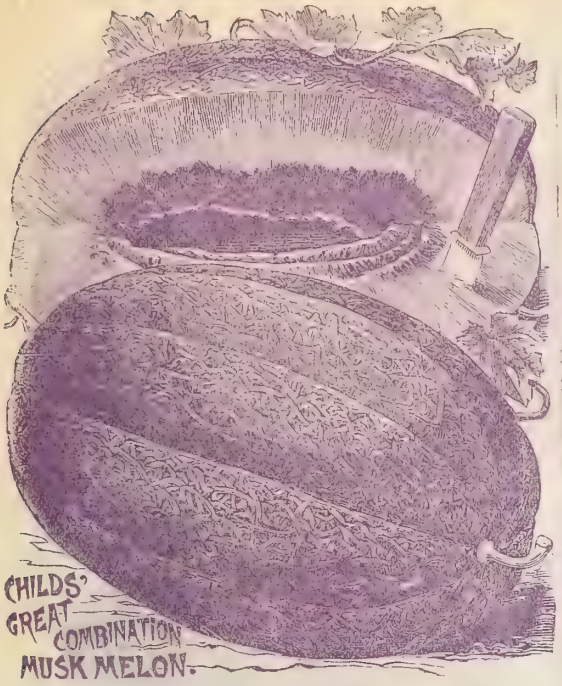
Kolb's Gem. The celebrated Southern shipping variety. Will keep thirty days after pulling, and, as shell is very hard, rarely bursts in shipping. Large and prolific, juicy and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Mammoth Iron Clad. Enormous Melons, sometimes weighing from 50 to 75 pounds. Do not plant on heavy soil or they will come into bearing late. A superb Melon. Flesh rich and sweet, shell hard and firm, and Melons will keep well for weeks after pulling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Cuban Queen. A very juicy, sweet variety, of the largest size, a special favorite with those who like their Melons nearly all core. A splendid seller in the market, a good keeper, and enormously productive. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Chinese Preserving. We introduced this from China several years ago. It is a success in every locality, easily grown, and very prolific. Melons large, nearly round, dark green in color, and very solid and white. Makes superior preserves, sauce and sweet pickles. Keeps well till after Christmas. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

One packet each of the twelve sorts, 75c.

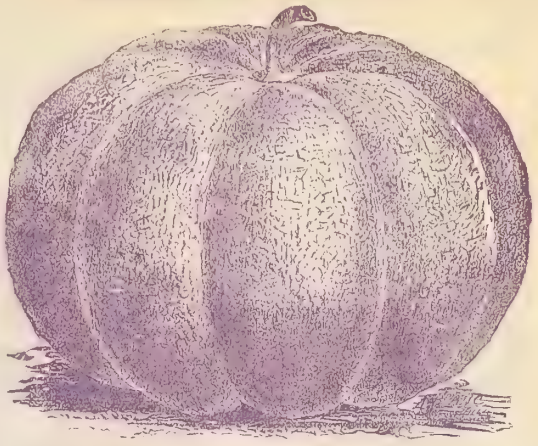


Muskmelon.

This fine fruit is much more delicious when eaten fresh from the vines than when allowed to stand for days in the heat of the market. Grow them like Cucumbers.

Childs' Great Combination. An appropriate name for this fine melon that combines large size, extra quality, rich perfume, late ripening, and long keeping. Each melon is very large, often from 20 to 30 pounds weight, twice the size of others, thick-meated, very luscious and rich. If carefully picked and put away in a cool, dry place, will keep a month or longer. Average size twice as large as any other. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

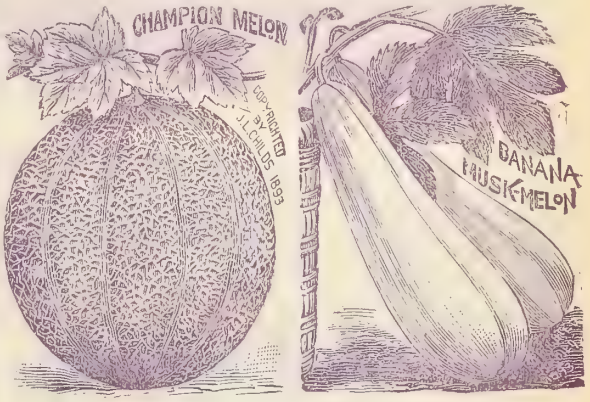
Emerald Gem. In quality this leads all, and every home garden should include it. Medium sized, round, with salmon flesh so rich, sweet and juicy that it needs to be eaten with a spoon. No other Muskmelon can compare with it in eating qualities, and it is the sort of all others for the home garden. It is rather soft and perishable for marketing, except near home. Where known in our villages and cities, the Emerald Gem easily brings double the price of any other sort, and for gardeners who deliver the melons to customers, or to the market direct, this is the most profitable where it is known. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.25.



MONTREAL GREEN NUTMEG.

Montreal Cream Nutmeg. While not as large of the Great Combination, this is an uncommonly large melon and a great cropper. Flesh green, very firm and delicious, and unlike most varieties, does not lose flavor during wet or cloudy weather. A very popular sort with Northern market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Banana. A curious sort that is quite popular. Melons very slender, largest at the bottom end, and two or three feet long. A very fragrant variety, and if not picked until thoroughly ripe, of very good quality and flavor. Its flesh and flavor, as well as its shape, remind one of a great luscious Banana. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.



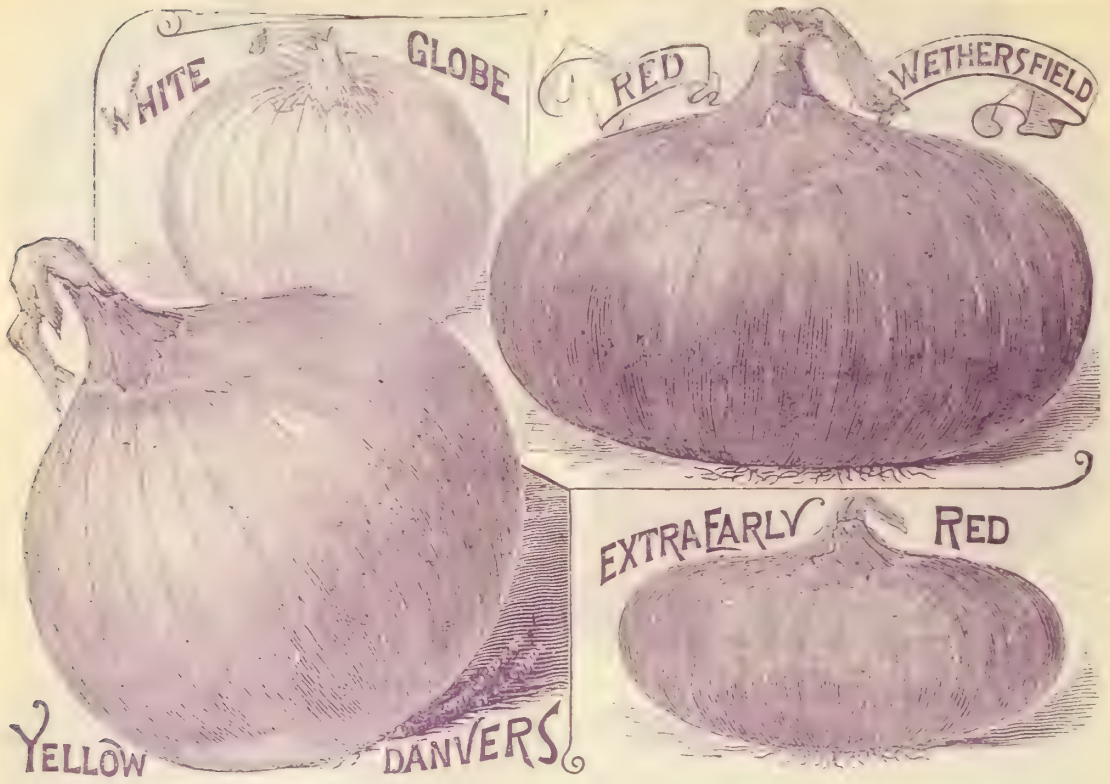
Champion. A very handsome, large, round melon, of delicious flavor and rich quality. A great cropper and a favorite market sort. A fine standard sort which will give great satisfaction in any locality. For shipping it is without doubt the very best of all Muskmelons. It keeps well, comes well, is of fine appearance and high quality. None better for market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

Princess. A new and superior variety for either market or home garden. The Melons are nearly round, deeply ribbed, very thick flesh of a rich salmon color, and very sweet and pleasant. Melons medium sized and quite early, and very handsome in appearance. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

PRINCESS.

Bay View. A very profitable sort to grow, as they will yield 3,000 to 4,000 melons to the acre, and these large, handsome ones, of sweet, delicious flavor, popular with both buyer and seller. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.

One packet each of above seven sorts, 40c.



American Onions.

One of the most wholesome foods known, and much relished by most people. Most physicians agree that the free use of Onions as food is a healthful and beneficial stimulant to the system. In cases of colds, coughs and lung troubles they are often better than medicine. Certain it is that they are the best remedy for that new disease "La Grippe," and their use is one of the best preventives from taking it. The Onion is one of those vegetables with which success or failure depend largely upon the quality of seed sown. The best Onion seed is always the cheapest. We are certain that ours is as good as can be found anywhere. Have the ground made very fine, deep and rich for Onions, and keep free from weeds. We also offer here two kinds of Onion Sets, which are very valuable indeed.

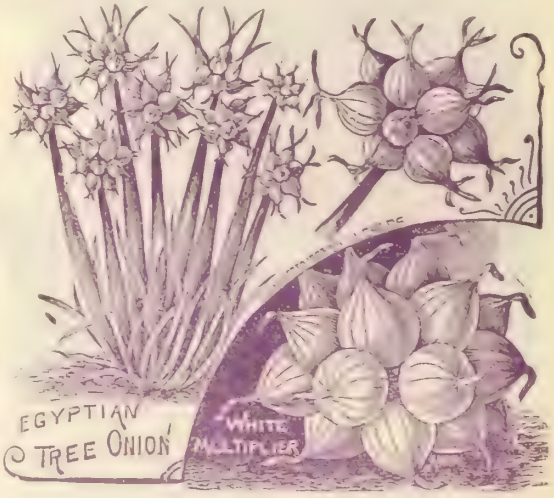
Large Red Wethersfield. A favorite red-skinned sort, of large size and handsome appearance. Onions somewhat flattened, flesh purplish-white, high-flavored, and keeps well without rotting. A standard sort, and a great favorite with market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.40; 3 lbs., $4.00.

Yellow Globe Danvers. Another popular Onion, widely grown for market. Plump, handsome, yellow-skinned bulbs, very uniform, round and perfect. We have an extra fine strain of this. More seed of this Onion is annually sown than any other variety. It does well everywhere, in all soils and in all climates, and is a popular market sort all over the country. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.40; 3 lbs., $4.00.

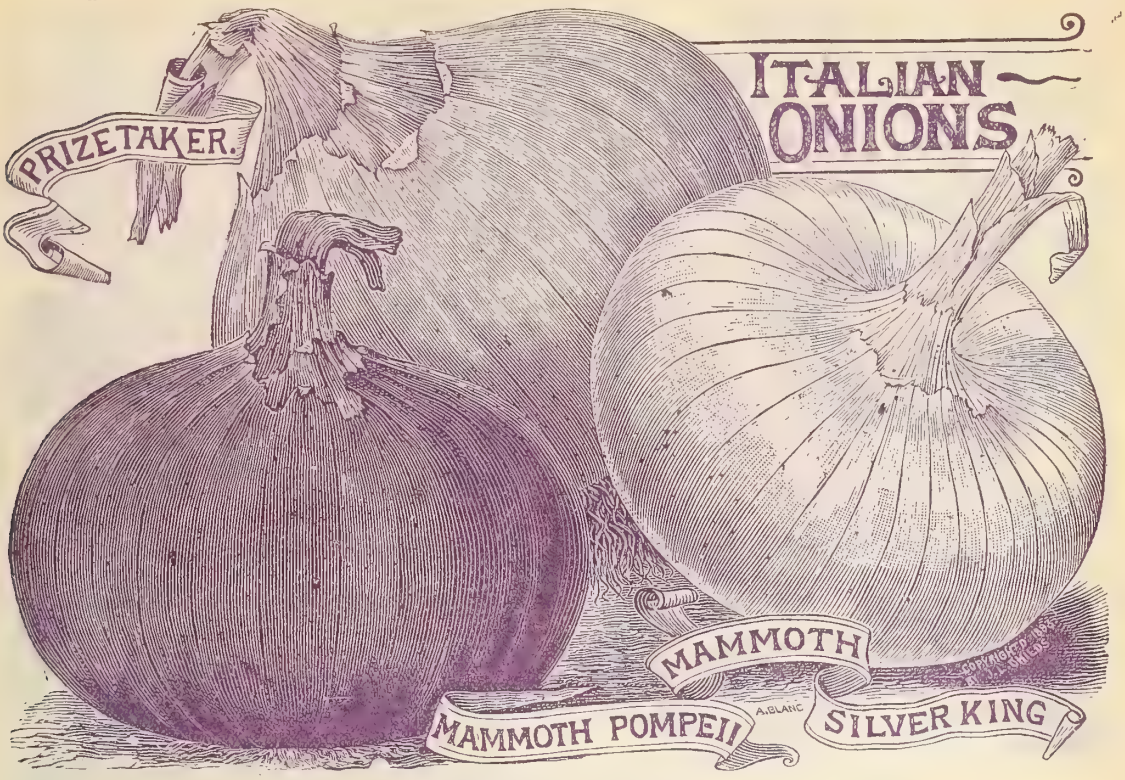
Extra Early Red. A quick growing variety, much liked in the North, as it grows well in cold, mucky soils where other sorts fail. Flavor very pleasant. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50; 3 lbs., $4.00.

Southport White Globe. A globular, mild-flavored Onion of fine appearance and superior quality. A great favorite in most localities and probably the most popular White Globe variety. Keeps well. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

Egyptian or Perennial Tree Onion. In this we have an entirely new variety of Onion. It differs from those raised from seeds or sets, from the top Onion, potato Onion, in the fact that when once set out, without the slightest protection, it will come up year after year as soon as the frost breaks ground, and grow so rapidly that it is ready for market or home use two or three weeks before any of them. It is usually ready for the table early in May. Is unsurpassed for sweetness and tenderness. It is perfectly hardy in all sections of the North. Differs widely from all other forms of top or Potato Onion, and should have a place in every home garden. Pint, 25c.; quart, 40c., postpaid; peck, by express, $1.50.



White Multiplier Onion Sets. This is the best form of a Potato Onion, being very early and enormously prolific, of good size, clear white color, and mild, sweet flavor. It should be in every garden. Pint, 25c.; quart, 40c., postpaid; peck, by express, $2.00.



Italian Onions.

During the past few years Italian Onions have come into favor with astonishing rapidity. Where a few years ago they were grown only as fancy garden crops, they are now planted extensively for market, and they are, too, a profitable crop. They are of rapid growth and attain a very large size in a wonderfully short time. They are not only large, but very uniform, perfect in shape, and exceedingly handsome in appearance. In quality they are acknowledged on all sides to be the best, having an exceedingly mild, delicate and pleasant flavor. For eating raw they are of course greatly superior to other Onions, owing to the mildness of their flavor. These Onions do best on a rich, light or sandy soil, in a warm, and if possible, sheltered situation, if one desires to see them at their best. No garden complete without a good supply of Italian Onions.

Mammoth Silver King. A superb Onion, that sometimes grows to weigh 3 or 4 pounds. Silver-skinned, white-fleshed, very mild and tender. So mild, sweet and tender that it can be eaten raw like an apple. It has an average diameter of five to seven inches, making a circumference of fifteen to twenty inches. It is probably the most popular Italian Onion known to cultivation. A grand seller in all markets. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

Prize Taker. A very large yellow globe Onion, very handsome, fine flavor, and grand sort for market. Immensely productive, producing 700 bushels to the acre, and is claimed by the introducer to be the largest, handsomest, finest flavored yellow globe Onion ever introduced. It is a good keeper, remaining hard and firm until Spring. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Giant White Tripoli. An enormous Italian sort, of very mild and pleasant flavor. One of the oldest sorts and a fine one. Very large and handsome and a quick and vigorous grower. Very popular. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50; 3 lbs., $4.00.

Mammoth Pompeii. A most remarkable Onion, on account of its enormous size and fine quality. They often grow to the weight of 4 or 5 lbs., with a very thin and delicate skin, which is of a handsome reddish, or reddish brown color. Notwithstanding its great size it is exceedingly mild and fine grained. An extra fine sort, of easy culture and a good keeper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb, $1.50; 3 lbs., $4.00.

Yellow Giant, or Zittau. An enormous yellow Onion, which cannot be too highly recommended. Notwithstanding its great size it is fine grained and of splendid quality. In keeping qualities it surpasses most other Italian varieties. Will surely, when known, be a great favorite. Pkt., 5c.; oz.; 15c.; lb., $1.50; 3 lbs., $4.00.

Mammoth Victoria. A very large white Onion, of fine, mild flavor, and oval shape. It is quite distinct from all other Onions and often grows to the enormous weight of 5 to 6 pounds. Pkt., 10c.: oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

Early Radish, or Barletta. The prettiest button-like little Onion imaginable. Small, flat and silver-skinned, so mild in flavor that they can be eaten raw like a stalk of Celery, and for pickling are far ahead of any other Onion. Leaves almost no odor on the breath, and is liked by all. Three weeks earlier than any other Onion, and grows very readily from seed. Is used largely for eating raw like a Radish, yet when cooked it has the most delicate flavor of any Onion. Introduced by us several years ago as Early Radish, about the time it was introduced into France as Barletta. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb, $2.00.

SPECIAL OFFER.

That all may have a chance to test the various kinds of Onions, to ascertain which ones do best in their locality, we will send one packet each of the 11 sorts offered on these two pages for only 50c. One ounce of each for $1.50.

Peas.

This delicious vegetable is so much finer when freshly gathered, than when allowed to shrivel for days in the market, that every family if possible should grow their own Peas. For early crop plant as soon as the ground can possibly be worked in the spring, and plant every two weeks thereafter for succession until summer.

Childs' Universal. A new and most valuable sort, almost the perfection of a Pea. This is no chance variety, but one developed by long years of careful selection and high cultivacion. The plant is a branching half dwarf, giving room for an immense crop, yet needing no staking. The plants are covered with pods, well filled with medium sized wrinkled Peas, of very rich flavor. Medium early, and is bound to supersede the older main crop varieties. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

American Wonder. An early wrinkled Pea of exquisite flavor, ready for the table in thirty to forty days after planting. Grows only a few inches high. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

McLean's Little Gem. An old standard Tom Thumb variety, still among the very best for a first crop Pea. Very hardy. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Alaska. The best of all early round varieties, ripening ahead of all others except Childs' Morning Star, and bearing great quantities of fine Peas, richly flavored. A fine market Pea, as the whole crop matures at almost one time. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 40c.

Champion of England. Still holds its own among all new comers as a Pea of superlatively fine quality. Late, and a heavy cropper. Unsurpassed quality. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.

Stratagem. The largest, showiest Pea of all. So distinct even in growth as to attract the attention of every visitor. Luxuriant, large-leaved foliage, with enormous great pods holding from 7 to 9 large, square Peas, dark green in color, and of surpassingly rich flavor. Is not an early variety, but does not turn "mealy" in the South, while still green, like the majority of late Peas. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

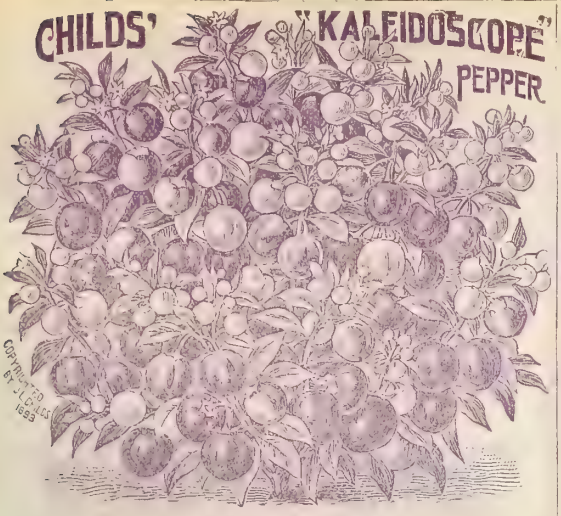
Everbearing. A fine sort for the home garden, as it does not ripen its pods at one crop, but continues in bearing a long time. Fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Pride of the Market. A fine, green-seeded Pea, one week earlier than the Stratagem, but resembling it somewhat. Plants grow 18 inches high, bearing long pods of very large, fine-flavored Peas. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Quality. Claimed to be the finest flavored Pea in cultivation. It is at least second to none and is one of the very best all round medium early wrinkled Peas of large size we ever grew. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 45c.

Peanut (Hardy Sweet)

Grow some Peanuts for the children. Not at all hard to grow, and stand heat and drouth like a salamander. This sort is so early that it ripens in all the Northern States and in Canada, while its quality is of the very best, the nuts being exceedingly sweet and rich when roasted. Any light, sandy, or loose soil suits them. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 30c.



Pepper.

Our ancestors used to hold that none but hot-tempered people could grow Pepper successfully. We know better than that now, and have learned that the heat needs to be in the seed-bed or hot-bed, rather than in the temper, to bring the Pepper above ground. No trouble whatever to grow, when once up. Useful for culinary purposes, ornamental as pot-plants, and quite necessary to the health of all cage birds and poultry. Every garden ought to have a good bed of them.

Childs' Kaleidoscope. Beautiful enough to be classed among pot plants, yet with a fine, sharp flavor that makes it valuable in the garden also. From the time the pretty plum-like peppers form until they are fully grown they are of a light, yellowish-cream color. As they commence to ripen they change, first to a clear canary color, then deepening to orange, then again turning to pink or rose, varying from shade to shade until they become a vivid, shining scarlet. One of these pepper plants, with their dark green leaves, and hanging full of cream, pink, yellow, rose and red fruits, is exceedingly beautiful. A very easily grown house plant and an attractive one. It is enormously prolific, plants branching freely and weeping to the ground with their load of jewel-like fruit. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Childs' Celestial, Improved. A fine sharp-flavored Pepper of transcendent beauty, setting its fruit early and continuing until cut down by frost. A well-grown plant will show peppers in every stage of growth, and in three or four different colors, according to the stage of ripeness—creamy white, pink, and vivid scarlet, all on the bush together, a most novel and wonderful sight. Beautiful pot plants, in fact, few pot plants make such an attractive show as does this Pepper when in full bearing. It is perfectly charming, showing such quantities of fruit of so many distinct colors. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.

Large Bell. A fine old standard sort, large, bell-shaped. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Ruby King. A king of beauty, indeed. Enormous fruits of a fiery, glowing, ruby red, but mild and pleasant in flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Red Cluster. A dwarf sort, loaded with beautiful glossy scarlet fruits, which are particularly valued for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.50.

Black Nubian. A most novel sort. Long, tapering, sharp-pointed fruit, six inches long, and of a deep, glossy black color until fully ripe, when they change to a dark orange red. Fruit is very fiery, and is superior for flavoring for piccalilly, chow-chow, etc. Also, a handsome and unique pot plant. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

Childs' Ivory Tusk. A new Pepper of highly ornamental as well as useful qualities. It is a rank grower, the branches spreading out to a considerable length and bearing its long, tusk-like fruits from the base to the tip of every branch. Fruit about four inches long, usually of an ivory-white color but sometimes touched with a slight tinge of green. In ripening they turn to a most vivid scarlet, and present a most glowing and beautiful appearance on the plants, showing fruit of various colors. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

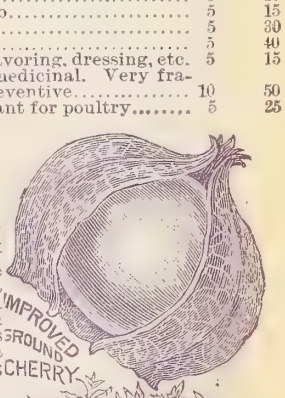
Pot or Sweet Herbs.

Indispensable to the cook, useful in the sick room, and many kinds fine for perfuming clothing, etc.

	Pkt.	oz.
Anise. For flavoring	5	10
Balm. Very fragrant leaves; medicinal	5	10
Caraway. Seed extensively used for flavoring	5	10
Coriander. Used for flavoring cakes, etc	5	10
Borage	5	10
Dill. Used to impart a pleasant flavor to pickles	5	20
Hoarhound. Useful for curing coughs and colds	5	10
Lavender. Fragrant leaves used to scent clothing	5	40
Sage. Most useful of all; needed in every garden	5	20
Sweet Fennel	5	15
Sweet Marjoram. Pot herb	5	15
Tansy. For medicinal use	5	30
Thyme	5	40
Savory, Summer Fine for flavoring, dressing, etc.	5	15
Rosemary. Aromatic and medicinal. Very fragrant; also a moth preventive	10	50
Wormwood. A splendid plant for poultry	5	25

One packet of the sixteen fine sorts, 50c.

Ground Cherry.



Something like the old Husk Tomato. Easily grown on any light soil and very prolific bearers of tender little fruit, each enclosed in a husk. For pies, sauce and preserves they are much liked, and if left in the husks will keep a long time in a cool, dry room. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Endive—Green Curled.

Well known in fashionable restaurants under the name of Chicoree, and particularly fine served with Lettuce with French dressing. Sow seed from middle of June to end of August. When wanted for use blanch the inside leaves by tying the outer leaves together. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Pumpkin.

Large Cheese. An old, standard sort, and a grand variety for large field crop. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Quaker Pie. What would Thanksgiving be without Pumpkin pie? This Pumpkin furnishes fine-grained and rich flavored fruit, just what is wanted for a really good pie. Ripens early and keeps late. A prolific sort, of a light yellow shade, very popular. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

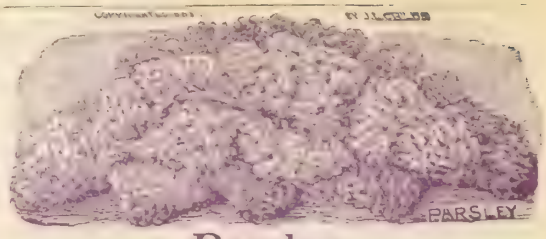
Genuine Mammoth or True Portion. This is the giant Pumpkin that always takes the premium at the county fair for size. Grows so large two men can scarcely lift one of the fruits, which have been grown to weigh nearly or quite 200 pounds in weight. Flesh bright yellow and of very fair quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.

Parsnip.

One of the few winter vegetables. The roots are perfectly hardy, and are improved in flavor by the action of frost. Roots can be dug during thaws in winter or very early in spring, when a change of food is most relished. They are perfectly delicious when boiled whole, then sliced thin and fried brown with slices of salt pork.

Improved Guernsey. This is not the coarse Stock Guernsey, but the table variety of that name, the sweetest, finest grained Parsnip grown, and a heavy cropper. Smooth, thick roots, about 12 inches long. Very fine stewed, fried, etc. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Improved Long Smooth Hollow Crown. An old standard variety, of fine quality, with very long roots. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

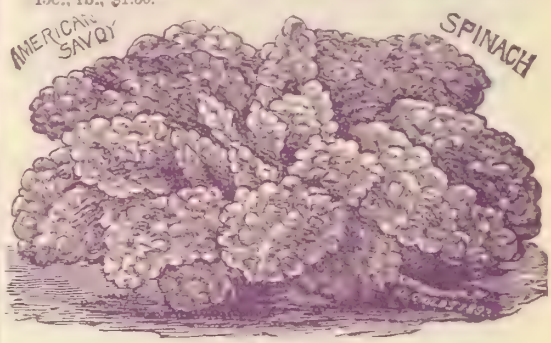


Parsley.

Hardy, and easily grown. Very fine for garnishing, as well as useful in flavoring soups, etc.

Extra Double Curled. Mossy, curled and crisped leaves, very beautiful and of good quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Beauty of the Parterre. One of the finest sorts for garnishing or low edgings. Very fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.



Spinach.

American Savoy. A heavy cropper, of fine quality and very hardy; succulent leaves, curled and crinkled like a Savoy cabbage. Hardiest and most productive sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.

Viroflay. A popular market variety for either spring or fall sowing. Produces great quantities of large, thick, roundish leaves. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 35c.

Strawberry.

We have all heard of the great size and luscious sweetness of the French Strawberries. They are certainly a great way ahead of the American varieties. We have secured seed of the finest, large-fruited kinds, which we have every reason to believe will produce varieties far superior to those in cultivation in this country. Strawberries are easily grown from seed, and it is interesting to note the different shapes, sizes and quality of the seedlings when they begin to fruit.

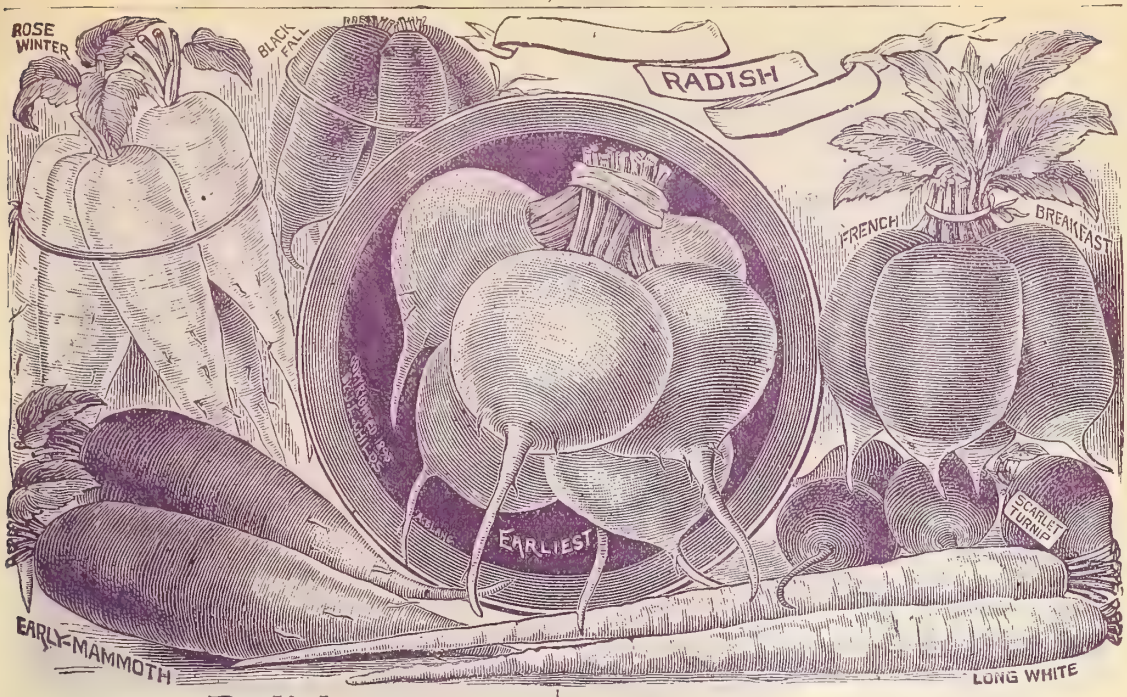
Large-Fruited Varieties. Mixed. Pkt., 10c.

Salsify, or Vegetable Oyster.

One of the most delicious of all root vegetables. So hardy that it can be left in the ground all winter and dug as needed whenever the ground thaws. Stew until tender, then cook exactly like oysters, with pepper, cream and butter. Try a large bed of them this year. They are delightful.

Large White. A quick grower, very fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Sandwich Island Mammoth. Like the above, but twice the size. Cannot be praised too [illegible]. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 40.



Radish.

The warm, pungent flavor of the Radish, and its crisp, brittle texture has always made it a favorite vegetable. Can be sown at intervals so as to keep up a succession from early spring until frost.

Earliest Forcing. Earlier than any other sort, by a week. Bright scarlet turnip Radish, very smooth and round, with small tops, allowing it to be grown closely together in hot-bed or forcing bench. Fine also for out of door sowing. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.35.

Early Mammoth. Known also as "Shepherd" and "Chartier." This variety sometimes reaches the enormous length of two or three feet and is sometimes eight inches through at the top. A very quick growing variety, crisp, juicy and tender and mild in flavor. Its color is a fresh pink and white, and for market has no superior among summer Radishes. It remains tender and good for several weeks after it is ready for use and is a splendid all-around Radish. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

French Breakfast. A very attractive pink and white Radish, olive shaped, and with delicately flavored flesh, free from coarseness or any biting quality. A grand little table sort, and very ornamental. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

White Vienna. Finest of all long white Radishes. Skin and flesh pure white, beautiful shape and fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Early Scarlet Turnip. A fine, quick-growing, early little Radish, of very fine eating qualities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Black Fall, or Spanish. Sow when you do turnips; large size and good keeper; crisp, coarse, pungent flesh, much relished in winter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10.; lb., 50c.

Chinese Rose Winter. A handsome and superior midsummer, fall and winter sort, of a lovely scarlet-rose color and large size. Flesh meaty, crisp and tender. Keep roots in soil in cellar for winter use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.

Surprise. A fine Radish of a golden russet color, round and smooth, of quick growth and very finely flavored. A beautiful and attractive variety. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Twelve Months Radish Mixture. A superb mixture of all kinds of Radishes, early, medium, fall, winter, Chinese, etc. Sow a row of it and it will furnish you delicious Radishes throughout the year. The early and medium ones as they mature and are pulled make room for the larger growth of the fall and winter varieties. This mixture is made up of twenty-five best varieties, and with it, it is necessary to make but one sowing for the entire year. Try it once and you will ever after use it. This novel mixture was introduced by us two years ago, and our customers like it so well that last season we sold tons of it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; ½ lb., 50c.; lb., 80c.

One packet each of above eight sorts, 40c.

Squash.

A delicious table vegetable, and when cooked like pumpkins, makes very superior pies.

Ford Hook. A long, golden yellow Squash, with very dry and fine-grained flesh. This is one of the best winter Squashes, and an extra fine keeper, and the plants are so robust that failure is very rare. Resists the attacks of the Squash borer better than most kinds; matures early and is everywhere a sure cropper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Sibley. Another fine winter Squash that keeps well nearly all winter. Shell hard and flinty; pale-green in color. Flesh a brilliant orange-red; very dry, and rich in flavor. A fine baking variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c.

Metcalf. A Maine variety, of extra fine quality, fine grained and dry. No better eating Squash can be found anywhere. A long winter-keeper, good till spring. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25c.

Early Scallop. An early summer sort. Very fine and popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Perfect Gem. This sort is good both for summer and winter use. Thin-skinned, fine-grained and of very pleasant flavor. Will keep almost any length of time. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

Mammoth Chili. Specimens of this have been grown to reach 300 pounds in weight. Notwithstanding its enormous size, this Squash is of very fair quality and keeps well. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

Improved Hubbard. (PRIVATE STOCK.) No more popular Squash than the Hubbard has ever been grown. Of late years it has largely lost favor because stocks have become badly mixed with inferior strains. Our stock is quite limited, but it is absolutely pure, and will produce the old-fashioned, deliciously-sweet Squash we all remember. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Mammoth Whale. A new French variety of enormous size, growing to the length of three feet and attaining a weight of one hundred or more pounds. Fruit thick and an ashy-gray color and tapers toward the end. Flesh solid, beautiful orange-yellow and of excellent quality. It has, also, the advantage of being a long-keeper and a variety which does well in any soil or climate. It is a splendid variety in all respects, especially for exhibiting at fairs. Pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts., 50c.

Giant Summer Crookneck. A new Crookneck, which is a little earlier than the old variety and fully twice as large, being nearly two feet in length. It is of extra fine quality, handsome in appearance and finds a ready sale at good prices in any market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

One packet each of the nine sorts for 75c.

Tomatoes.

An indispensable vegetable. City dwellers with almost no room can train their Tomatoes to their back wall and raise quantities of fine, fresh fruit for their own use. Start early in house or hot-bed; transplant just after a gentle rain, and tie plants to stake or trellis. They stand drought remarkably well. Just before frost pick all the well developed fruits, spread them singly in a light, frost-proof place, and they will continue ripening for two months or more.

Childs' Ruby Queen. Tomato of enormous size and as smooth as an apple. Its color is the deepest and darkest crimson-red, very rich and beautiful. It is very solid, with few seeds, and of the very finest quality. It has very thin skin, and its flesh throughout is most tender. It has not a particle of coarseness or toughness. It is just the sort you would choose for your own table above all others. It is much like the Golden Jubilee, except in color, and is perhaps rounder and smoother in shape. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 50c.

Childs' Golden Jubilee. A fit companion to the Ruby Queen, and, like it, of enormous size, specimens having been grown that weighed over two pounds each. The fruits are round and solid, with very few seeds; flesh meaty and, like all yellow varieties, very sweet and mild in flavor. A beautiful table sort, especially when arranged with the deep rich slices of Ruby Queen on the same dish. The skin of this sort parts readily from the fruit without scalding, which feature is sure to please the cooks. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 50c.

Turner Hybrid. A grand new Tomato, with large smooth fruit and curious foliage. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Ignotum. Esteemed as the perfection of a Tomato. Extremely early and a great cropper. Fruits large, smooth, without green spots or cores, and almost entirely free from cracks or rotten spots. Delicious flavor, very meaty and but few seeds. Fine for slicing, cooking or canning. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Station Tree. This variety originated by crossing the Franch Tree with Alpha, the result being a very distinct variety, with thick, curly, almost black-green foliage and great numbers of handsome, solid fruit, with the fewest seeds of any known variety. Tomatoes are of very fine quality, and this sort is especially recommended for forcing, as it does extra well in pots, the earliest of all, and being of fine upright growth it requires but little room. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Childs' Picture Rock. The finest Tomato in cultivation. See Novelties for description. Pkt., 15c.; 3 for 30c.

Ponderosa. A Tomato of large size, solid, of fine quality. Claimed to be the largest known sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Golden Fig. A beautiful sort for preserving, the golden varieties being favorites with all housewives because of their beautifully clear golden color when cooked in sugar. These fruits are small, beautifully smooth and almost incredibly productive. The flesh is solid, thick-meated, very sweet and pleasant, and are just right for preserves or sweet pickles, or for drying in sugar like figs. Carefully picked and well spread out in a frost-proof place, we have known ripe Tomatoes of this variety to stay sound and plump for four months, enabling one to have fresh Tomatoes nearly all winter. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Peach. A distinct, medium-sized Tomato, of very peculiar but pleasant flavor. The fruit of this Tomato is about the size and shape of a peach, and is of a soft peachy-red color with a distinct down or bloom that heightens the resemblance. This is an extra fine variety for eating out of hand, and is also fine for cooking or pickling. It has a fine fruit flavor not found in other sorts. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

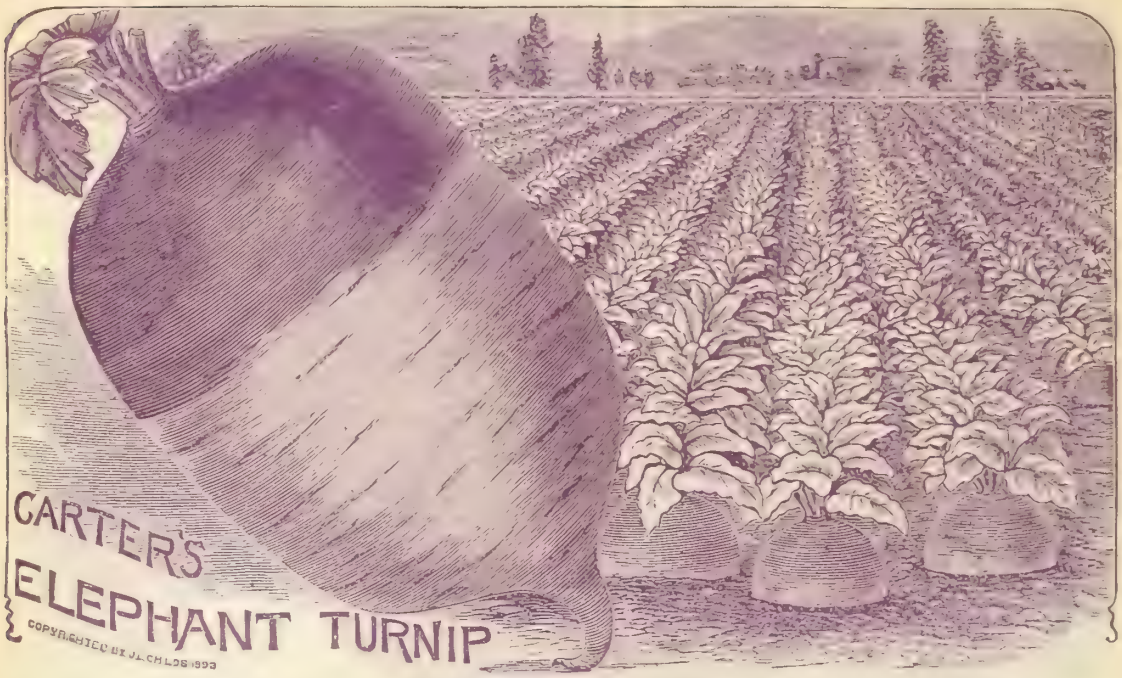
German Raisin. A dainty, ornamental sort, bearing great grape-like clusters of brilliant red fruits, very small and smooth. Fine for drying in sugar, or for preserves, or for table decoration. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 40c.

Volunteer. Everybody praises the Volunteer. Heavy continuous bearer of smooth, plump, solid fruits of surpassingly fine flavor. Extra fine for either home or market garden. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.25.

Climbing Tomato. A novel Tomato of a climbing habit, that, if supported, climbs to a considerable height. A very unique ornament to the kitchen doorway or window when hanging full of its many large red fruits. Fruit smooth, solid and of fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.

Mixed Hybrids. An enthusiastic gardener in California has for years been crossing and re-crossing all sorts of the Tomato, both large and small, yellow, white and red, early and late. Every known variety has been used—large smooth, pear-shaped, plum-shaped, currant, fig, peach, etc. The result is a most interesting mixture of all shapes, colors and sizes, from the very largest to the very smallest. The mixture is not only novel but valuable, and the most interesting and satisfactory to plant for the home garden. Everybody will be delighted with the variety and quality of fruit produced, and in such a variety everyone's taste can be well satisfied. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

One packet each of the thirteen above offered for 75c.



Turnips.

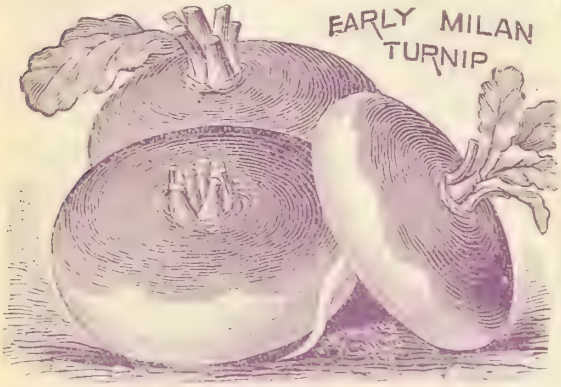
A valuable garden and farm crop. Good Turnips are almost as desirable for table use as Potatoes. Seed may be sown at any time from April 1st to August 1st. For winter use sow last of July or first of August. Turnips may be sown late in ground that has been cropped with Pea or Beans early in the season.

Early Ivory. A sort of peculiar value, owing to its extreme earliness. It grows almost as quickly as a radish, and to a great extent resembles a large white winter radish. It is very sweet and in every respect of first-class quality. It is sure to become an indispensable variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Early Flat Dutch. Clear white skin, and juicy, crisp flesh. A fine sort for either market or home garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 45c.

Purple Top White Globe. A large Turnip of fine keeping qualities, and of very fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Large Yellow Globe. A large, round Turnip, with deep yellow flesh and fine, firm grain; very sweet and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.



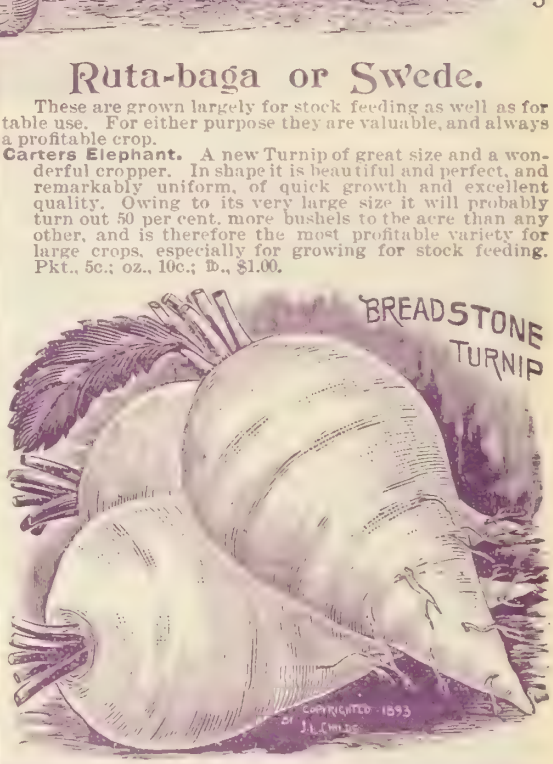
Extra Early Milan. The earliest strap-leaved variety. A smooth, medium-sized variety, with a bright purple top. Fine quality and good keeper. Very delicious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

White Egg. Beautiful white egg shaped sort of rapid growth. Flesh firm and solid, fine grained, sweet and of very mild flavor. Fine either for early or late variety. Grows to a good size. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Ruta-baga or Swede.

These are grown largely for stock feeding as well as for table use. For either purpose they are valuable, and always a profitable crop.

Carters Elephant. A new Turnip of great size and a wonderful cropper. In shape it is beautiful and perfect, and remarkably uniform, of quick growth and excellent quality. Owing to its very large size it will probably turn out 50 per cent. more bushels to the acre than any other, and is therefore the most profitable variety for large crops, especially for growing for stock feeding. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

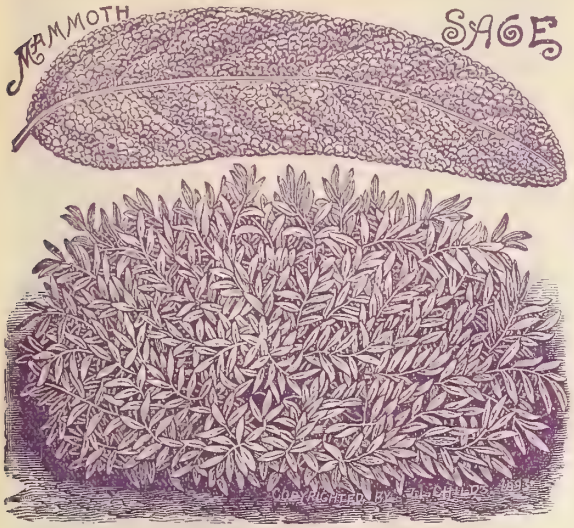


Breadstone. A beautiful white ruta-baga, so remarkably tender that it will cook in fifteen minutes, while the flavor is uncommonly sweet and delicate. It is also a wonderful keeper, not growing pithy and dry like the ordinary Turnips when kept in the cellar over winter. Flesh perfectly white, fine grained, tender and sweet, without the strong taste so common among Ruta-Bagas. The finest of all table varieties. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.

Improved American Ruta-baga. Large, smooth and handsome, quick in growth, tender, and fine in quality. A superb standard sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—*One packet each of the nine Turnips here offered for only 50c.*

LUCERNE, TEOSINTE, TOBACCO, SAGE, ETC.



Mammoth Sage.

A plant of this new Sage will yield more than a dozen of the common sort. The leaves are of enormous size and superior quality, and the plant a compact, rank grower, covering a space of more than three feet in diameter, rarely flowers and never runs to seed, and can be picked all the season. It is perfectly hardy in the coldest climate. Every person who has use for Sage should plant this variety. Fine plants, 15c.; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.

ALFALFA.

Alfalfa, or Giant Clover.

A most valuable forage plant and one of the most valuable of all fertilizers when turned under green, for the improvement of dry, thin, sandy, gravelly, or worn-out soils. A good stand once secured, it lasts in fine condition from six to a dozen years, giving a fair crop of nutritious hay the first season, and three or four immense crops each season afterwards, easily yielding six to eight tons per acre. In spite of this immense crop, the land steadily improves, as the long roots go straight down fifteen to twenty feet to perpetual moisture, and they possess the power of seizing upon every bit of available plant food, no matter how great the depth, and bringing it to the surface to the support of the many fine surface roots and thick, turfy tops. With such roots a year's drouth has no effect upon a plant's vitality. It is not recommended for wet, boggy land, but for dry. It will grow well where no other grass will survive, and is invaluable for covering barren or waste land. It is the greatest land fertilizer and greatest hay producer known. Cut when in full bloom. Sow fifteen to twenty pounds to the acre. Price, pkt., 10c.; lb., 50c.; 5 lbs., $2.00, postpaid. By express, 10 lbs., $2.50.

Tobacco, Persian Muscatelle.

This is the best of all, an exceeedingly ornamental plant and so early it can be grown in any State. It is from the garden of the King of Persia. The grower says of it: "It is one of the earliest varieties we have, of remarkable strong and vigorous growth; attaining the height of five to seven feet. The stalks are strong, thickly set with leaves, many of them measuring 3½ to 4½ feet in length with proportionate width. The leaves are unusually small ribbed, very elastic, of finest possible texture, and when properly cured of a light-brown color and of mild flavor." Pkt.. 10c.; oz.. 50c.; lb., $5.00.

Teosinte.

As a forage or fodder plant this is the greatest thing of the age, especially for the South. In appearance it resembles corn, but the leaves are much longer and broader and sweeter. It grows twelve feet high, producing a great number of shoots, which are thickly covered with heavy foliage. 85 stalks have been grown from one seed, and it produces forty tons to the acre. At the rate which hay and other stock feed costs, Teosinte will yield $200 worth of fodder or ensilage to the acre. Plant it as you would corn. W. J. Pitts, of Stockbridge, Ga., writes: "I cut two 2-horse loads of forage from one ounce of seed." It may be cut two or three times during the season. It never suffers in drought or rain. Three pounds of seed is enough for an acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Millet, Canary Bird.

This is valuable as an ornamental grass, the long heads of rich yellow grain (20 inches long) being exceedingly graceful and beautiful for large bouquets or vases of dried everlasting flowers, autumn leaves or grasses for winter decoration. The seed is also valuable food for canaries or other birds, and is cheaply raised, a packet of it will produce many pounds. Further it is a most valuable grain to raise for stock or fowls, outyielding oats two to one, and is greatly relished by all animals. It is also a valuable fodder plant for feeding green or making hay. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

SUMMER FLOWERING BULBS.

The word Bulb sends a thrill to the heart of every lover of flowers whenever it is heard. No other word in horticulture seems to indicate so much or raise in one's mind such vivid pictures of grace, brilliancy and delicate beauty. In our mind we see long spikes of Gladiolus of brilliant, fascinating and varied colors; great flaming Amaryllis of indescribable beauty; Gloxinias spotted, marked and colored most exquisitely; great spikes of waxy Tuberoses of wonderful purity and fragrance; lovely, graceful, charming Zephyranthes and Mexican Gems; exquisite Dahlias and fantastic Tigridias.

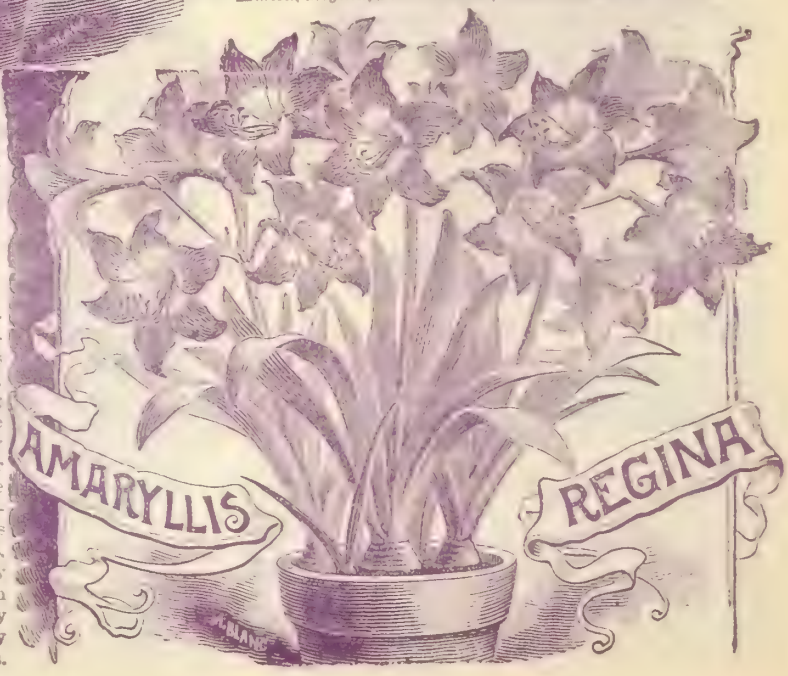
Bulbs are favorites with all and they are planted by many who will not grow any other class of flowers. They are so easily grown and so satisfactory to everyone that they are invaluable. Summer-flowering bulbs require no skill and very little attention to grow them to perfection. Plant them in the garden in Spring after severe freezing is passed and they will soon be up and will flourish and bloom all Summer. In Autumn, after early freezing the bulbs should be lifted, dried and stored in a cellar or some other position away from frost, for planting again the following Spring. We are headquarters for Summer Flowering Bulbs and grow and sell more of them than any other two houses in the world.

	Each.
Belladonna. Elegant blush colored blooms of great fragrance and beauty	$ 25
Aulica Platipetala. Large, vigorous grower. Bulbs and flowers of enormous size; color, deep blood crimson, shaded black. A grand variety	75
Empress of India. A famous European variety which usually sells at $10 each. Color, deep scarlet, banded orange shaded to white. Enormous size	2 00
Hamilton Hybrids. Extra fine hybrids which bloom at all times of the year. Flowers large and well formed and of two colors—scarlet and white, variegated	2 00
J. L. Childs. Outside petals grayish white, inside bright pink, striped and suffused with pure white. Flowers very large and produce freely at all times of year. A most exquisitely beautiful flower	1 50
Johnsonii. A grand old sort, always popular. Flowers large and very beautiful, deep red striped white	60
Regina. An extra fine winter bloomer and extensively sold for that purpose. Flowers of good size, beautiful, wide-open shape and a bright orange scarlet. Fine for pots or for summer flowering in the open ground, treated like a Tuberose. One of the most beautiful, free flowering and satisfactory of all Amaryllis. 3 fine flowering bulbs for 50c., 7 for $1.00.	20
Formosissima. There is hardly a flower which has such a deep, rich, velvety, crimson color, a color so intensely brilliant as this. It is a free bloomer, and succeeds well either in pots or in the open ground, and blooms very soon after planting. 3 for 30c	15
Phadranassa Cloriosa. The flowers are borne in pendulous clusters and an odd mingling of colors—green, orange, scarlet, etc. Always admired	20
Mixed Hybrids. Fine large flowering seedlings of beautiful colors. Many are nearly as fine as above named sorts. Will give great satisfaction. 3 for $1.00.	40

SPECIAL OFFER.—*5 fine Amaryllis for $1.00, as follows. Aulica, Regina, Formosissima, Phadranassa and Hybrid.*

Amaryllis.

A royal family of bulbs, with large umbels of magnificent lily-like flowers of largest size and richest coloring. Besides the pure white, pale flesh and soft pink shades, are many intense and brilliant shades of crimson, scarlet, orange and vermilion, either self-color or boldly striped with white, green or red. Can be kept in pots the year round, or planted out in open ground during summer. Alternate rest and growth is the secret of big Amaryllis blossoms, and lots of them. While growing give them all the sun and moisture possible; but while at rest give very little water or none at all. The finer varieties increase so slowly as to be always high in price; but if our customers were to compare our prices with the leading European firms, who ask eight, ten, fifteen and twenty dollars per bulb for what we ask from fifty cents to two dollars for, they would think our prices extremely low for such rare and fine varieties.



Rare Amaryllis Species.

These are members of the beautiful Amaryllis family, and are most magnificient flowering bulbs, suitable alike for garden or pot culture.

Crinum Ornatum. This is the king of the Amaryllis tribe; it produces a large round bulb, which grows to weigh as much as ten pounds. It can be treated as a pot plant, or grown in the garden as a summer flowering bulb. It is of the easiest culture and sure to succeed with every one. Its flowers are large, and, like a most beautiful Lily, borne in enormous clusters at the top of the stout scapes. Color soft, delicate blush, with a scarlet bar through the center of each petal, and very sweet scented. 75c. each.

Crinum Moorei. Much like the above, except its flowers are more beautifully formed and of a clear pearly-white color with a beautiful pink stripe through each petal. Grand and beautiful and of exquisite fragrance. $1 each.

Crinum Fimbriatum. (Milk and Wine Lily.) Flowers in large umbels, on strong scapes, long and trumpet-shaped. Colors delicate and pretty, white and pink, striped and blended. Fine large flowering bulbs, 30c. each.

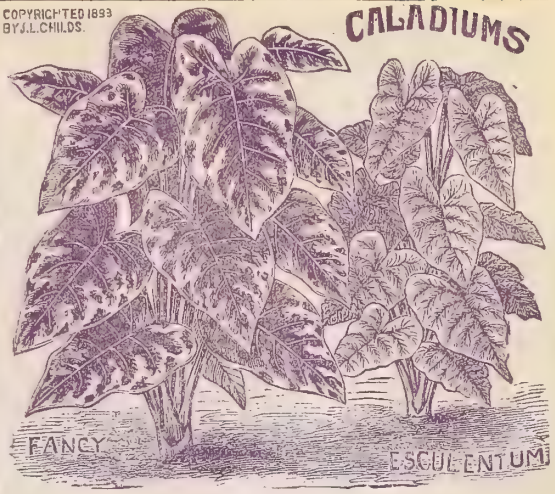
Ismene Calathena. The flowers are of very large size, novel form and of a snowy whiteness, and are also exceedingly fragrant. It is really one of the most lovely of all the great Amaryllis tribe, having a peculiar grandeur and beauty which one can appreciate at sight, but cannot describe. 30c. each.

SCARLET STPIDER LILY.

Sternbergia Lutea. The "Yellow Amaryllis." Bright deep golden yellow. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Scarlet Spider Lily. Fine large clusters of deep blood scarlet blossoms late in summer. This lovely Japanese bulb is known as Nirene Japonica, and is quite hardy in most localities. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Special Offer.—*One each of above six fine bulbs for $2.00.*



Caladiums.

Grand tropical foliage plants for bedding and for pots.

Esculentum. A grand sub-tropical foliage plant, growing four feet high, and bearing immense shield-shaped leaves of the smoothest, richest green. Extra fine for groups or single specimens upon the lawn, or as borders to tropicrl beds, or to plant at the margins of ornamental pools, etc. Give plenty of water. 20c. each. $2.00 per dozen,

Fancy. Easy to grow in summer, either in beds or pots. For piazza or summer conservatory decoration they are unrivaled. Their beautifully shaped and glossy foliage is elegantly variegated in the most telling manner. One, perhaps, is regularly dotted with round raised spots of white; another is ribbed and veined with pink, or scarlet, or yellow, while still another is splashed and marbled with white or shaded almost black. In fact, the immense leaves are so marked with delicate and vivid colors as to make them as showy as great and peculiar flowers. Our collection is superb. 40c. each, 3 for $1.00, 7 for $2.00.

Alocasia Illustris. This rare foliage plant belongs to the same family as the Caladium, and is very striking either as a pot plant or as a specimen pladt in the garden. The large handsome leaves are dee green, freely blotched and marbled with black. Very handsome indeed. 30c. each, 2 for 50c.

New Hardy Spider Lily.

This grand new spider Lily has the advantage of being perfectly hardy, and when left undisturbed a few years forms large imposing clumps that are a mass of clustered heads of pure white, fragrant flowers. The flowers have a peculiar and striking beauty which must be seen to be appreciated. The flowers are borne in large clusters, are of waxy whiteness and unsurpassed fragrance. More beautiful than most of the high-priced Lilies. An extra choice garden flower which we cannot too strongly recommend. Also, a fine pot plant. Fine flowering bulbs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

OXALIS.

Summer-Flowering Oxalis.

No bulbs are so valuable for edging the borders of walks or flower beds as the beautiful flowering Oxalis. When planted three inches apart they produce an unbroken row of elegant foliage and pretty flowers; and as they bloom very quickly after planting they furnish a neat and attractive border the whole season. They are also splendid when planted in a mass, and make a very showy bed. The bulbs, which are the size of peas, or larger, can be planted the first of May, or perhaps earlier, and will be in bloom by the first of June. No flower is easier grown than this, as they are sure to succeed in all soils and situations. They are also charming when grown in pots, and make a very attractive mass of fine foliage and gay flowers. They can be planted in this way at any time during the winter or spring, and will commence blooming at once. Every bulb will grow and flower beautifully. Price of fine bulbs, 10c. per dozen; 25 for 15c.; 100 for 40c.; 500 for $1.50; 1,000 for $2.50.

Lasandria. Fine rosy-pink, beautiful cut foliage.
Dieppi. Pure white; very fine.
Shamrock. Lovely clover-like foliage and pink blossoms.
Mixed Sorts. Several colors.
Mammoth Bulbs. We can supply mammoth-sized Bulbs of these Oxalis, nearly as large as Gladiolus, and which will produce a wonderful profusion of bloom, at 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Cinnamon Vine.

A pretty, hardy vine, with edible roots and neat, glossy cordate foliage. In midsummer it bears clusters of tiny but exceedingly fragrant flowers, with an odor like cinnamon. A very pretty vine to train over a small trellis or around a window. 5c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.

True Fairy Lily.

Beautiful, large Lily-like blossoms, pure snow-white, of charming beauty and fragrance. They generally commence blooming within a few weeks after planting, and nearly every bulb produces from two to five flowers. For pot culture bulbs can be planted at any time during the winter or spring, and will soon bloom. Five to six may be planted in a five-inch pot. In the open ground they are not at all particular as to soil or situation, but are quite sure to thrive anywhere. Pot a few for immediate blooming in the house; they are charming. Large, select bulbs, 5c. each; 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c.

Madeira Vine.

A rapid-growing vine, covering a large space in a short time. Fleshy, heart-shaped leaves of a light green, and late summer numerous racemes of feathery flowers of powerful and delicious fragrance. A very beautiful and popular vine, which succeeds admirably. 5c. each, 3 for 10c., 12 for 30c.

Ismene Calathena.

Those who are familiar with the true Ismene, cannot say enough in praise of its beauty and purity. The flowers are of very large size, novel form, and of a snowy whiteness, and are also exceedingly fragrant. It is really one of the most lovely of all the great Amaryllis tribe, having a peculiar grandeur and beauty which one appreciate at sight, but cannon describe. It is one of the most strikingly beautiful of all garden flowers. 30c. each.

Childs' Superior Tuberoses.

The one flower the rich man must have, and the poor cannot do without. We all love its massive spikes, thick, waxen blooms of rich, creamy whiteness, and its deep, delicious fragrance. How often has this sweet flower, that might have bloomed in paradise, been placed upon the cold forms of those whose spirit has gone to fairer fields. We have made our prices very low, that every flower lover may enjoy their peerless beauty. For open-ground culture, plant about the middle of may. Give them rich soil, in full sun, and keep free from weeds, and they will bloom finely. Plant a good big lot of them for cutting, and if you will pot those which are in bud about the time frost is expected, they will bloom elegantly in pots for a long time ; often till Christmas.

Excelsior Pearl. Introduced by us twelve years ago. It is the finest bloomer of all Tuberoses; habit dwarf, flower stalks short, spikes and blossoms enormous in size and very double and fragrant. The finest for pots as well as for the garden. Large, select bulbs, 5c. each, 5 for 20c., 12 for 40c., 100 for $3.00.

Tall Double. The old popular variety. Splendid for the open ground. 5c. each, 5 for 20c. 12 for 40c.

New Variegated. The leaves of this variety are bordered with creamy white; flowers single but very large and of exqvisite fragrance. Bulbs continue to grow and bloom year after year. It makes a most magnificent plant. It blooms several weeks earlier than the other sorts, which greatly adds to its value. 10c. each; 2 for 20c. 12 for 75c,

Single Orange Scented. A fine sort, bearing very early in the season large spikes of beautiful single orange-like blossoms. Very fragrant. 10c. each ; 3 for 20 c. 12 for 75c.

One bulb each of above four sorts, 25c. 3 of each for 60c.

Tigridias.

One of the most showy of all summer bulbs, and blooms from midsummer until frost, growing three feet high, with large, wide-open triangular blooms, four to six inches across. The colors and markings are very brilliant, and peculiarly odd and attractive, and clumps of them in the border have a most gorgeous effect. It is difficult to name a flower of such unique and exquisite beauty as a Tigridia, the superb spotting being so self-like and handsome. They are easily grown, and always more than satisfactory. The following varieties are great improvements in size and color over the older varieties:

Conchiflora. Fine yellow, bright crimson center variegated with yellow.
Pavonia. Very large, bright crimson, center variegated with yellow.
Grandiflora Alba. Flowers very large, of pure ivory whiteness, spotted with crimson. Few flowers on our grounds have been so greatly admired.
Lilacea. New; fine large violet flowers, spotted.
Aurea. Golden Yellow.
Rosea. Fine rose color. New and extra fine.

Price of above 6 fine named sorts, 10c. each; any 3 for 20c.; the six for 35c. Any sort at 60c. per dozen.

Mixed Sorts, all the above; 3 bulbs for 15c.; 6 for 25.; 12 for 40c.; 25 for 75c.

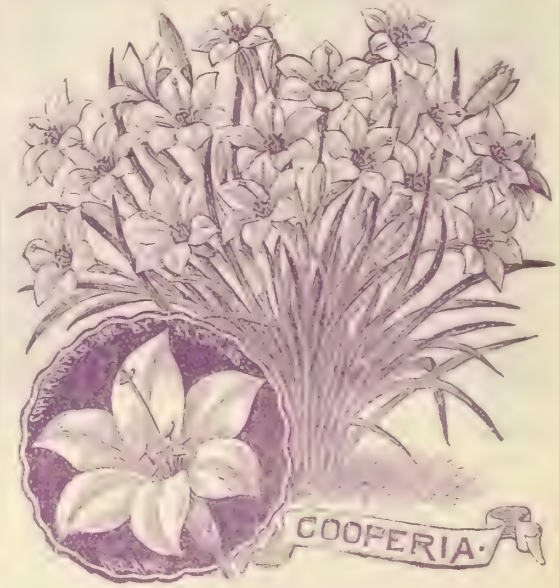
IPOMEA MEXICANA.

Ipomea Mexicana.

This beautiful climber is also offered among "Specialties and Novelties," with the Moonflowers. It is also entitled to a place here as it is a summer flowering bulb. It forms a root as large as a Dahlia which is safely wintered in any cellar, and when planted out in the spring it commences a strong growth at once, and is really the most useful of all climbing plants, as it starts so early and grows so rapidly. Its flowers are of a satin violet crimson color, and remain open all day. This is often known as Tuberous-Rooted Moonflower. An elegant vine for conservatories or large bay windows during winter. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Tritoma Grandiflora.

One of the few flowers that prolongs Flora's reign to the verge of winter. A plant of tropical luxuriance, though entirely hardy south of the Ohio, and with good protection much farther north. The safest plan is to lift the plants and keep in box of soil in cellar over winter. A large specimen is very beautiful with its many long, narrow, recurved leaves which are crowned in midsummer and autumn with long, crowded spikes of fiery, tubular flowers, borne high above the foliage on stiff, ramrod-like stalks. At a little distance the close heads of flaming orange and red flowers are very striking, and have earned the plant its common name of "Red-Hot Poker." We have seen them bloom well into November and December. It always blooms until the ground freezes up. Frost does not kill foliage or bloom. Indispensable, and must be in every garden on account of its brilliancy and late blooming. 20c. each, 3 for 50c., 7 for $1.00.



Cooperia Drummondi.

This bulb belongs to the Amaryllis family, and can either be grown in pots or open ground. The beautiful Lily-like flowers are borne on stems 10 to 15 inches high, and are profusely borne. They have a saying in Texas that the Cooperia blooms after every rainstorm. Certainly its flowers spring up as by magic repeatedly through the season. Color, pure white. Bulbs large and strong. 10c. each, 3 for 20c., 8 for 50c.

Hyacinthus Candicans.

A species of Hyacinth which blooms during August and September grows three to five feet high, with spikes of pure white flowers two feet in length. The bulbs are large, round and solid, and throw up strong flower stems, which are a gigantic spike of thimble shaped white blossoms. Planted in the spring they bloom in August, September and October, strong bulbs producing two, three and even four flower stems. A bed of a dozen or more bulbs produces a grand effect. A few planted in the center of a bed of Verbenas, Petunias or other flowers, make a beautiful display. They contrast elegantly with Gladiolus. Planted anywhere, singly or in clumps, they are magnificent. For a cemetary nothing can be more beautiful or appropriate, and nothing thrives better in any situation. Strong bulbs, sure to bloom. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.

Spotted Calla.

The leaves of this beautiful Calla are deep green, with numerous white spots, which gives the plant a magnificent appearance. The flowers are pure white, with a black centre, and very beautiful. They grow freely in any soil, either indoors or out. They flower splendidly in the garden, treated like Gladiolus; that is, planted in spring and dug in autumn. The bulbs we send out are large and solid, and will all flower freely soon after planted. 20 cents each; 3 for 50 cents.

Montbretia, Crocosmaeflora.

One of the brightest and most winsome flowers we know of. Should always be grown in masses or groups, and are then remarkably showy and brilliant. From July to October they are one mass of flowers, spike after spike of the flame-like beauties appearing. Extra fine for cutting, their dash of color lighting up a heavy mass of flowers with grace. One of the most lovable flowers we know of, so graceful and bright and cheery. Perfectly hardy south of the Ohio. 5c. each, 3 for 10c., 12 for 35c.

Zephyranthes.

The Zephyranthes or Zephyr flowers are becoming very popular. Their growth is low and neat; their flowers abundant and pretty, and the plants themselves will stand a good deal of abuse without sulking or dying after the manner of so many plants. They increase rapidly, and make neat borders to other bulb beds, and can also be grown in pots if wished for winter blooming. South of the Ohio are hardy, and need not be lifted in fall. Zephyranthesare gems of great beauty. Their large lily-like blossoms being always attractive and exquisitely beautiful.

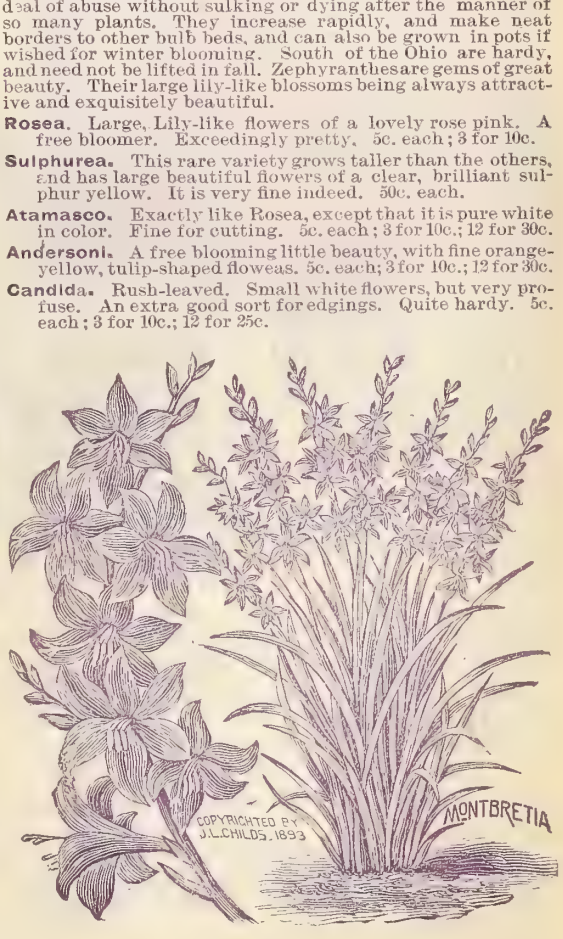
Rosea. Large, Lily-like flowers of a lovely rose pink. A free bloomer. Exceedingly pretty. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.

Sulphurea. This rare variety grows taller than the others, and has large beautiful flowers of a clear, brilliant sulphur yellow. It is very fine indeed. 50c. each.

Atamasco. Exactly like Rosea, except that it is pure white in color. Fine for cutting. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

Andersoni. A free blooming little beauty, with fine orange-yellow, tulip-shaped floweas. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

Candida. Rush-leaved. Small white flowers, but very profuse. An extra good sort for edgings. Quite hardy. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.



HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS.

The earth wears a crown of Floral Beauties, and among the brightest, richest and sweetest are the Hardy Perennials. They fill a place in our gardens, and in our hearts, which nothing else can supply. Like Flowering Shrubs, when once planted they are good for a life-time, and we come to regard them as a part not only of our home but our very existence. What would induce us to part with the grand old clumps of Pæonies, Lilies, Iris, etc., which have stood along the path in our front yard so long, and greeted us year after year with such cheery brightness and beauty? They have cheered us through many vicissitudes and dark hours of life. They were loved by dear ones whose voices we hear no more; their blooming calls to our minds dear associations, happy days and happy faces which Time, the great Destroyer, has stolen from us. Yes, let us enrich our little yard, or little lawn, our borders and walks with these dear flowers, which will be our friends and companions for evermore.

The list of Hardy Perennials here presented we have collected together with great care, having in view one special object, viz.: to supply the best varieties and best plants at a smaller cost than they can be had elsewhere in the world. We feel sure that we have succeeded, and that our customers will not let this season pass without adding many of these treasures to their homes. They are all perfectly hardy anywhere, and thrive and bloom year after year with little or no care after once well planted.

New Perennial Phloxes.

Those who remember the thin-petaled white and the dull-hued purple Perennial Phlox of old-fashioned gardens can scarcely recognize these new Phloxes as the same flower. These new varieties are in bloom from June until frost, and are in huge panicles of close bloom, like a Hydrangea, while the individual florets are twice the size of the old-time Phlox, and the shades of color the brightest, richest and clearest. There are no finer or more useful perennials than the Perennial Phloxes, or which will give more complete satisfaction. The variety we offer are new and fine, and the plants we send out will bloom magnificently the coming summer. They are cheap, and we hope that all our customers will plant them.

Athels. Beautiful rosy-scarlet tinged with salmon. Very bright and showy.
Snow Cloud. White, suffused with purple. Extra fine.
Charlotte Saisson. White, suffused with pink, deepening towards the center to bright vermilion.
Lasollei. Enormous flower and truss, individual flowers being 1¼ inches across. Color, light crimson tinged with lilac and shaded lighter towards the center.
Diplomat. Beautiful light-lilac with crimson eye. Very large flower and truss.
Eclaire. Deep, bright purplish-crimson. Extra large.

The following four sorts are Early-flowering Phloxes, as they begin to bloom very early, continuing all summer:

Master Morty Hulse. Beautiful rose-lilac, marbled with white. Flowers large and of beautiful form.
Master Clarence Hulse. Pure white. Flowers and truss of very large size and exceedingly beautiful.
Master Sylvester Hulse. Beautiful lilac-rose.
Miss Hattie Hulse. Pure white, with beautiful pink eye.

Price of all above Phloxes, 15 cents each; four for 50 cents; the ten for $1.00.

Perennial Poppy—(*Papaver.*)

If there is a more gorgeous flower anywhere than the Perennial Poppy we fail to know it. The most indifferent observer stands spell-bound in the presence of its magnificent fire-like scarlet flowers with their silken texture and foil-like heart of innumerable purple-black stamens. Each bloom is as large as a saucer, and sits perched like a bird on the end of a swaying, hairy, slender stem, high above the deeply-incised and handsome foliage. Many consider it the most showy flower that blooms. A grand plant to light up dark corners and dull shrubbery. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

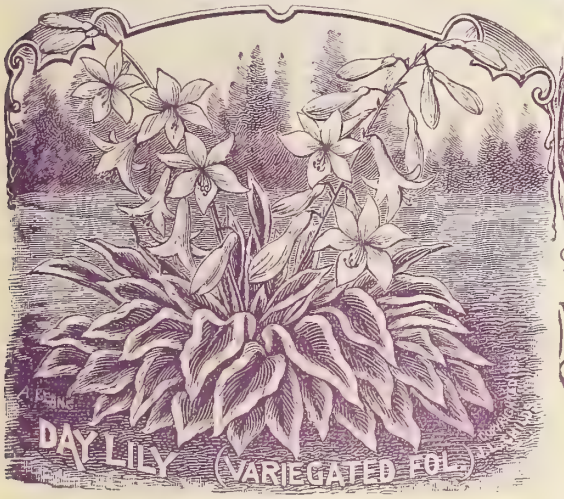
Pæonies.

The favorite of to-day, as it was fifty years ago. Luxurious foliaged plants, with magnificent double, incurved flowers of enormous size and rich coloring. Nothing can surpass the intensity of the dark varieties, that fairly glow with a radiant fire of richness, while the white and pale varieties are very soft and delicate in their coloring, and all deliciously fragrant. *The four sorts for $1.00.*

Fragrance—Fine rich pink with an exquisite perfume. Large and double, 25c. each.
Double White—Pure and fragrant. Enormous size, and very double. 30c. each.
Old Scarlet—The true, old, large double scarlet Pæony of our grandmothers' gardens. A grand flower. 30c. each.
Tenufolium—Fine-cut fern-like foliage of exquisite beauty, and blooms in May. Color, rich fiery scarlet. 30c.
Mixed Pæonies—Ten sorts, $1.25 per dozen.

Achillea Grandiflora.

A most useful and beautiful hardy perennial plant which furnishes a profusion of the choicest double white flowers all summer. It commences to bloom by the first of July and is a perfect mass of bloom until frast, as many as 5,000 flowers having been counted upon the plant at one time. Flowers pure white, perfectly double, and produced in large sprays, and are unsurpassed for all sorts of cut-flower work, boquets, etc. it is perfectly hardy anywhere, and so vigorous that it will take care of itself among weeds, For cemetery planting there is nothing finer, for it is sure to live, thrive and bloom profusely year after year. For clumps or masses in the garden it is extra fine. The plants we send out will bloom profusely this summer. 15c. each; 2 for 25c.; 5 for 50c.



Day Lilies (*Funkias.*)

Large White. Pure in color as the driven snow, as smooth in texture as though cut from sheeted wax, all its snowy trumpets exhaling sweet fragrance, no sweeter, lovelier or more perfect flower can be grown. Perfectly hardy, and easy to grow. Blooms continuously from August until frost, producing scores and even hundreds of its large Lilies. Handsome light green foliage. 30c. each.

Large Blue. Lovely blue flowers on tall spikes. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 7 for 60c.

Variegated Leaved. Leaves as handsome as a flower. A rosette-cluster of almost white leaves, lightly striped with green and yellow. Flowers pretty pale lilac-blue on tall spikes. Fine also for pots. Altogether this is one of the very finest (certainly one of the most attractive and ornamental) of all hardy plants. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50.

Hardy Marguerites.

A popular daisy like flower, largely grown now for cutting and wearing. Graceful and modest, and very profuse, blooming a long time each season. 15c, each; the two for 25c.; $1.00 per dozen.

White. (*Pyrethruw Uligenosum*). Large white flowers with a golden center. A fine late summer and fall flower.

Golden. Large golden yellow flowers in great profusion. A fine contrast to the white variety.

Hardy Pinks.

Magnificent early-blooming garden flowers, which are always greatly admired, both for their delicate beauty and perfume. 15c. each; the two for 25c.; $1.00 per dozen.

Snow. A fine edging plant, in early summer a mass of pure white flowers. Very fine, and perfectly hardy.

Anne Boleyn. Like the above, but a rich pink, with darker center. A most charming combination of color.

Candytuft, Hardy.

A plant of exquisite beauty, being of low compact, spreading growth and producing its profusion of bloom in May or June when pure white flowers are particularly scarce. Its profusuion of bloom is so great that a bed of it looks at a little distance like a mass of fleecy snow just fallen. Few hardy plants will give as much real satisfaction as will this beautiful gem. Lifted late in the fall, it will bloom well in the house during winter. Perfectly hardy and foliage ever green. Attractive every day in the year. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Hardy Pyrethrum.

Charming plants which are profusely in bloom on Decoration Day, and furnish an abundance of the very choicest blossoms for cutting.

Snow Ball. One will go a long way before he will see so desirable a hardy perennial plant as this. It is perfectly hardy, living, flourishing and blooming year after year. Its foliage is fernlike, lying in a beautiful tuft upon the ground. The flower stems are long, wiry and graceful, springing from the crown of the plant in great numbers, and each having an enormous flower as white as snow and double and perfect to the center. Flowers often 3 to 4 inches across, and beautiful beyond expression. It blooms most profusely in June, when rare gems are particularly scarce. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Double Scarlet. Like the above except in color which is a fine deep scarlet, making a most charming contrast. 30c. each; one each of the two sorts for 50c.

Calystegia Pubescens.

A fine double perennial Morning Glory. Variously called Rose Vine, Double Morning Glory, California Rose, etc. A hardy perennial vine, coming from the roots each spring, and bearing quantities of pale satiny-pink flowers, as full and double as roses. Just the vine for rockeries, banks, poor, hard soil, where nothing else will grow, or a hundred other places, where a rarely handsome trailing or climbing vine is needed that is able to take care of itself. The vines we send out will bloom the first season, and continue all summer. Its long vines, wreathed in a profusion of large double Rose-like blossoms are very attractive. Also blooms well in the house. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

MISCELLANEOUS HARDY PLANTS.

Price of the following Beautiful Hardy Plants, 15c. each, 4 for 25c., 7 for 50c., or more at 10 c. each.

Asters. Hardy. Two lovely and free-blooming varieties,—one deep purple, the other lavender.

Apios Tuberosa. The well-known and lovely Tuberous Rooted Wistaria; a superb vine.

Blackberry Lily. Very ornamental.

Callilopsis Lanceolata. A superb and constant bloomer, with large golden blossoms.

Eulalias. Elegant ornamental grasses, growing ten feet high, with beautiful foliage and large feathery plumes. We have three varieties—Zebrina, Japonica and Gracillima. Should be in every garden.

Lychnis Viscaris. One of the best herbaceous perennials with tall spikes of handsome crimson flowers, very double and profuse. It is doubly useful because it comes so early in the season, while flowers are yet scarce.

Hop, Golden Cluster. A picturesque vine with its wealth of dark green deeply-cleft leaves and its long, festooning sprays of golden-yellow Hops with their grateful, homely fragrance and graceful beauty as well as usefulness.

Hemerocallis, Lemon Lily. The clear yellow lily-like flowers are borne on long, stiff stalks, making them superior flowers for large vases or for pulpit bouquets.

Dicentra Spectabilis. The old Bleeding Heart, the flower of our childhood, which is as lovely to-day as then, though not so common. Bears in early spring long graceful chains of pendulous bloom of exquisite beauty.

Hibiscus, Childs Hardy Hybrids. For full description and cut, see page 72.

Sweet Mary. This plant was known in olden times only as Sweet Mary, producing an abundance of beautiful leaves all summer, which are indispensable for boquets and cut flowers. This lovely old plant has almost gone out of cultivation, and we know that many of our customers will thank us for re-introducing it.

Mountain Fleece. One of the latest bloomers we have flowering with the Chrysanthemum. Its great sprays of feathery white bloom are not only pretty in the garden, but are in great demand for all sorts of floral work.

Statice, or Thrift. This is a dainty little plant, forming compact tufts of narrow green foliage, which makes it particularly valuable for edging. The flowers are a clear bright pink, and borne in clusters on tall stems. It blooms all summer long, and is a very pretty, desirable and useful flower, really the best of all hardy plants for edging walks, beds, etc.

Spirea Filipendula. Grows two feet high, with large, feathery plumes of the most charming white blossoms.

Spirea Elegans. Pure white, in large, compact spirals.

Spirea Ulmaria. Fine foliage and elegant flowers.

Platycodon Grandiflora. A lovely free blooming plant. See cut on page 60.

Yucca Filamentosa. The stately clumps of stiff, bayonet-like leaves, bristling out from the center in every direction, are extremely ornamental, but in mid-summer they take on an added glory. Thick, woody flower stalks are thrown up, growing as high as a man's head, and and bear at their summit immense compound panicles of creamy, bell shaped flowers, each floret two inches across. A single panicle will contain 300 or more florets, and will be two feet in length.

Phlox Subulata. One of the finest of low, turfy-growing plants, fine for carpeting under trees, around rock work, edging beds, etc. Early in spring is very showy with its cloud of bright pink blossoms. We do not understand why this is not more widely grown, for it is perfectly hardy, and once planted will take care of itself.

HARDY FLOWERING SHRUBS.

Every true lover of Horticulture, in its highest sense, finds special delight in the cultivation of Flowering Shrubs. They possess a charm, a grace and a beauty which is supreme; one's soul is drawn toward them in adoration, and it seems to meet, in return, a love which can make its existence known. They stand by our gate, our doorway and our paths, scattered singly or in groups over the lawn or in stately hedge or background, and as they develop and make the seasons rejoice with their beauty and fragrance, we grow to love and cherish them, to some degree, as members of our family. Each one brings a special joy with its season of bloom, and they are really part of our home life; certainly loving companions, greeting us when we return, and bringing to our every day life beauty, cheer and happiness. No, we who love nature, beautiful and refined homes, cannot realize complete happiness without Hardy Flowering Shrubs, and our love for them, together with knowledge and experience in cultivating them, has suggested the following varieties, every one of which is a gem. Hardy, robust, free-flowering, and exquisitely beautiful. They are the best, and our customers cannot go astray in selecting any of them. Floral Park would be incomplete if one sort was missing, and as we grow and sell shrubs by the hundred thousand we can offer first-class, healthy bushes at extremely low rates.

ALTHEA.

Althea, or Tree Hollyhock.

A fine tall growing shrub, that once planted is good for a lifetime. Blooms when but a slip of a plant, but eventually reaches the size of a small tree. Always a symmetrical, upright grower, well clothed with a dark green foliage, and bears every year, without fail, a profusion of large, showy, double flowers, that closely resemble Hollyhocks in shape and colors, but often larger in size. They bloom from midsummer until frost, at a time when few other shrubs are in bloom. Fine for cemetery planting, or for grouping upon the lawn. The following are new double varieties of superb beauty. In Europe this is the most popular of all flowering shrubs. No flowering tree or large shrub can approach it in majestic beauty.

Rubra. Find double red, large and brilliant.

Meehanii. Enormous double white flowers having a fine red center. Magnificent.

Double White. Great snowy blossoms of exquisite loveliness.

Gigantea. Large double white, with full red center. Extra.

Prices of above, 20c. each; the four for 65c.

Double Mixed. Extra fine; all colors and variegations, 20c. each; 3 for 50c; 7 for $1.00.

The Trifoliate Orange.

A new hardy Orange. This is the most hardy of the Orange family, and will stand our northern climate with little or no protection. In the parks of both New York and Philadelphia it is growing luxuriantly, and blooming and fruiting profusely. Think of it; you can have an Orange tree growing, blooming and fruiting on your lawn or yard. It is dwarf, of low, symmetrical growth, with beautiful trifoliate, glossy-green leaves, and abundance of large white blossoms. The fruit is small, bright orange-red in color. The fine appearance of the plant, with its constant habit of blooming, and showy fruit, combine to make a shrub of peculiar beauty. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

The "Fern Leaf" Tree.

A beautiful tree of a low shrubby growth, making a superb large foliage shrub. Its leaves are like beatiful fern fronds, so finely laciniated and graceful, often two feet in length by ten inches in width. Color very dark green while the stems are dark ebony red. It also bears large bunches of red berries, and in autumn the leaves color very brightly at the touch of frost. It is one of the very finest ornamental shrubs in cultivation. It is hardy and robust and succeeds in any situation. As a specimen shrub or small tree for the yard or lawn it is grand. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Magnolia Grandiflora.

This is the Queen of the Southern Forest. It attains the size of a large tree, with enormous foliage, which is glossy and wax-like and ever green. In early summer its enormous flowers are produced, creamy-white, fully a foot across, and wonderfully fragrant. The tree is as hardy as far north as New York, and may be seen growing in the parks of that city and Brooklyn. There is no grander object in vegetation than this giant Magnolia. Fine young trees, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Deutzia.

Favorite small shrub, completely covered with flowers when in bloom. Unsurpassed for specimen clumps and for cutting, bouquet making, etc.

Crenata, fl., pl. Four feet high. In June is covered with double white blossoms, like tiny roses, in lovely panicles. Exceedingly pretty. 15c. each.

Rosea, fl., pl. Exactly like above, but of a lovely rose color. Very fine. 25c. each.

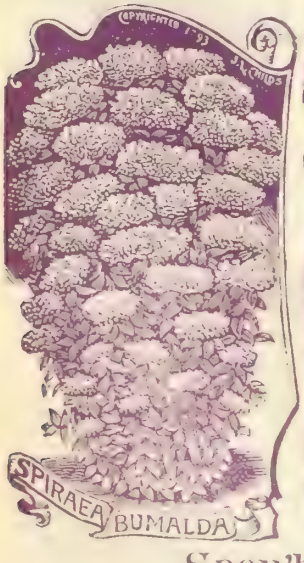
Gracilis. Grows only two feet high, but is weighted to the ground with its load of white Lily-of-the-Valley-like blossoms. Fine for forcing in winter. 15c. each.

Calycanthus Florida.

The "Sweet Shrub" so long a favorite in gardens. The purplish flowers have an exquisite pine-apple fragrance of which one never tires, and a spray of which will perfume a whole room. Can not be omitted from any lawn or garden. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

Sweet Pea Shrub.

The shrub of shrubs for bouquet makers. When it is in bloom it is really but a big bouquet itself, so full is it of dainty sprays of large, lovely rose-pink blooms to which the graceful pinnate foliage is an admirable background. Very hardy and robust, and commences to bloom when but a foot high. Its glorious flowers are borne in clusters and are the size and shape of the most lovely Sweet Peas, but its color is more beautiful. The amount of bloom which one of these little shrubs will carry is astonishing, and the sight presented is one of remarkable beauty. Blooms profusely in June and July and to some extent all summer. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.



Snowball.

New Double White. The grand old Snowball will never go out of fashion. One of the most ornamental of all shrubs when heaped with its white snow. This new variety is a marked improvement on the old Snowball, both in foliage and flower. Its immense heads or rosette-like blooms are grand. 20c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Spirea, Japanese.

These new Spireas bloom from early summer until frost, and are not only very handsome in the flower garden, but are quite indispensable for cutting, furnishing the fine, feathery, fluffy spikes so necessary to bring out the full beauty of a bouquet. Very easy to grow and entirely hardy.

Bumalda. So dwarf and compact it can be grown where larger shrubs would be out of place. A cloud of lovely rose-pink flowers for months. Very fine. 20c. each.

Fortunei Rosea. A medium-sized shrub, and a great bloomer. Panicles of delicate pink flowers of wonderful beauty. 20c. each.

Fortunei Alba. Like the above, but pure white. 20c. each.

Spirea Van Houtti. In early spring a weeping fountain of bloom, that cannot be counted for numbers. Solid wreaths of snow-white flowers. Two and three feet long. Grand beyond expression. 15c. each.

Thunbergi. A lovely shrub, with pretty, dense, fern-like leaves that in autumn take on the most glowing high colors. The bush is a sheet of white blossoms in early spring, and grows to good size. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Aurea. A grand shrub to group with the Purple-leaved Berberis. Leaves larger than other Spireas; tri-lobed, and shading from a light golden-green to a rich orange yellow; flowers white. Early summer. 20c. each.

One each of these six Spireas for 80c.

Hydrangea Paniculata.

Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in mid-summer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten to twelve inches long and nearly as thick through, and last for two or three months, turning pinkish toward the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Hydrangea Impreterice Eugenia. A fine hardy sort producing great flat cymes of sky-blue, among which are scattered great star-shaped white or pink blooms. Exceedingly showy and a rival to the famous Paniculata. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Clematis Davidiana.

This is a lovely species of Clematis, growing in bush form three or four feet high, and yielding through the summer great panicles of lovely blue flowers, which are exceedingly handsome and very fragrant. The foliage is large and luxuriant, and the plant is, all in all, one of exceptional beauty. It is perfectly hardy in any locality, and blooms profusely when only a foot high. This lovely Bush Clematis will be a rare attraction in any garden or border, and we have such a very large stock of strong healthy plants that we can offer it at the extremely low price of 20c. each; 3 for 50c. 7 for $1.00.

Shrubs at 10 Cents Each.

The following lovely flowering shrubs, at 15 cents each; 2 for 25c.; 5 for 50c. or more at 10c. each.

Almond, Flowering. Lovely low growing shrubs, which in early spring are from base to tips of its branches wreathed in a profusion of double rose-like pink and white blossoms of the most delicate beauty.

Andromeda Mariana. (Lily of the Valley Shrub.) Lovely white blossoms, like Lily of the Valley.

Berberis, Purple Leaved. A lovely shrub with dark purple leaves and racemes of orange-colored flowers.

Berberis Thunbergi. Flowers followed by bright red berries, which remain on the bushes all winter and are exceedingly ornamental.

Callicorpa Purpurea. A lovely shrub, loaded all winter with clusters of pretty blue berries.

Cydonia Japonica. Large flaming red blossoms very early in spring. A grand old shrub.

Clethra Alnifolia. Fine spirals of sweet-scented white blossoms, borne profusely in August.

Euonymous Argentea. Silver variegated leaves.

Exochordia. A new Japanese shrub of great beauty. Blooms early in spring and is a complete mass of snowy white bloom.

Forsythia. (Golden Bell.) Lovely old shrub which blooms exceedingly early.

Fringe, Purple. A round-headed large shrub, with pretty foliage and curious misty clusters of feathery bloom that seem to wrap the whole bush in a purple cloud of smoke.

Jasmine Officinalis. Blooms all the season, producing a profusion of white star-like blossoms of great fragrance.

Privit, California. A fine rapid-growing evergreen shrub.

Privit, Golden. With golden leaves. Very rare.

Rubrus Odorata. A charming shrub, with masses of large luxuriant foliage which is fresh and green from one end of the season to the other. Mingled with the foliage is a constant display of large saucer-shaped red blossoms and masses of moss-covered buds. The effect is charming.

Syringa, Mock Orange. This much resembles the Orange in bloom, but the flowers are larger and more deeply fragrant. When in bloom, their delicious orange odor is wafted by the breeze a long way.

Tamarix. A curious shrub, unlike any other. Slender growth, covered with peculiar, fine, feathery foliage. In spring it is a mass of spray-like blossoms of a clear pink.

Weigelia. We have seen canes of this three and four feet long one solid wreath of flowers from tip to end, and fifty more such canes could have been cut from the bush.

Beautiful Hardy Flowering Vines.

Honeysuckle.

The dear old Honeysuckle is never out of place, at the rich man's mansion or the poor man's cottage. For a cheap, hardy, robust, yet lovely vine, it is the chief stand-by. Flowers exceedingly beautiful and very fragrant.

Fuchsia Flowered. Large clusters of long, trumpet-shaped flowers, that droop like a Fuchsia, and are of a brilliant coral red. Very fine.

Golden Leaved. Marvelously effective. It bears innumerable sprays of the most perfect little leaves that are covered with a net-work of gold and green, often marked with pink also. The gold deepens at the tip of the sprays and there is nothing finer to combine with corsage bouquets, while for trimming floral baskets they are the finest thing we know of. A strong grower, with white blossoms. A unique vine.

Halliana. The best white monthly Honeysuckle, with dark green foliage, which keeps fresh and green nearly all winter, and beautiful clusters of the sweetest-scented flowers that open a showy white and turn a pale yellow. These flowers are produced in profusion from early spring to late fall. A fine vine for a large trellis, or to train at the end of a veranda, or over tall screens.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c. $1.50 per dozen.

Wistaria.

A favorite vine, that will grow twenty-five feet in a single season. Just the thing for second-story verandas, or as a tree climber, or to train against a high wall. In early spring is covered with great massive clusters, sometimes two feet long, of lovely pea-shaped flowers.

Alba. A mass of white flowers in spring, the clusters of bloom reaching two feet in length. 75c. each.

Sinensis Magnifica. Fine large clusters of lovely blue flowers produced in great masses. 20c. each. 3 for 50c.

Ampelopsis Veitchi.

The fashionable wall climber of the day. Clings tightly by suckers thrown out along the stem, to rock, brick, etc., and is a wall of living green the summer through, turning in autumn to a flaming crimson, when it is fairly gorgeous. It stands the dust and dry air of cities admirably. Nothing else can take its place. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00

Clematis.

The finest vine in existence for small trellises, or piazza pillars. Used also to cover rock-work, mound, stumps, etc. or can be used as a low trailer, pegging its shoots down to the ground. Foliage neat, habit graceful, and for months a solid sheet of bloom, the large starry flowers actually hiding the foliage. The flowers are from 4 to 9 inches across, extremely showy. All of these are perfectly hardy. And are the finest varieties;

Ramona. A strong, rampant grower, fully three times as strone as Jackmanni, often growing ten feet the first season. It is a perpetual bloomer, flowers appearing both in the old and the new wood, giving an abundance of blossoms all through the season. In color a very deep sky-blue, lovely and distinct from any other. In size the flowers surpass anything we have ever seen. Perfectly hardy and very vigorous; new and grand. 80c.

Henryi. This is the finest of all white Clematis, and should find a place in every collection. It is not only a vigorous grower, kut is a remarkably free and continuous bloomer, beginning with the earliest and holding on with the latest. Flowers large, of a beautiful creamy white. 60c.

Jackmanni. This is perhaps the best known of the fine perpetual Clematis, and should have credit for the great popularity now attending this family of beautiful climbers. The plant is free in its forn of growth, and an abundant and successful bloimer, producing flowers until frozen vp. The flownrs are large, of an intense violet purple, remarkable for its velvety richness. 60c.

Paniculata. We connot well say too much in praise of this vine. A clean, thrifty, robust growing vine, of graceful habit, with attractive glossy foliage, and covered in August and September with a sheet of clustered show white bloom of the most delicious fragrance. No other vine, so completely covers itself with flowers. An arbor or portico over which this Clematis is trained, is a wall of white for the time being, and what makes it the more striking is that nearly all other vines have ceased blooming at that time. The panicles of bloom are very pretty for cutting, the pretty star-like florets, with their feathery stamens rppearing to fine advantage contrasted with the larger and more vivid flowers of the early autumn garden. Perfectly hardy, grows rapidly. Fine vines. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 6 for $1.00.

Coccinea. A graceful festoonsng vine of elegant appearance. Bears a profusion of shining coral-scarlet buds and flowers all summer. Blossoms bell-staped, very bright and beautiful. Fine for decorating. 20c. each

Crispa. Something like Coccinea, but more broadly bell-shaped, and their color a fine blue tipped with white. Very neat foliage. 20, each; 3 for 50c.

One each of above 6 fine Clematis, $2.00

WINDOW OR GREENHOUSE PLANTS.

One may have a home grandly constructed, elegantly fitted and furnished in every particular, wanting nothing which money can purchase, yet if it does not contain a window of bright blooming plants it lacks some essential feature and is, in fact, almost desolate, and its inmates must be regarded as lacking in some degree refinement and taste. On the other hand, the humblest cottage is made a home, indeed, by the brightness and fragrance of its well-filled windows of plants, and when we see it we know that good taste, refinement and a whole-souled people dwell within.

Plants are our natural home companions; they are bright, refreshing, cheery; Winter may rage without, but inside they make Spring perpetual. A refined and generous nature craves plants and flowers. Nothing else can take their place, especially to the care-worn woman, whose elevated taste and love for refinement goes largely unsatisfied, plants and flowers are one of God's richest blessings.

The plant department of our business is most extensive. We have acres of greenhouses and annually produce and send out over two million plants. Our system of packing is such that our plants carry successfully through the mails to nearly all parts of the world. We are careful to send out only well-rooted, healthy stock, and to offer only such varieties as are sure to give satisfaction—the very best of their kinds. The enormous quantities which we grow enable us to offer the finest plants of the choicest varieties at a price so low that they are within the reach of all. These facts have made ours the greatest plant distributing establishment in the world.

Cereus, Night Blooming.

No flower that blooms on earth is the peer of the Night Blooming Cereus. It is easy to grow and will bloom well in a small pot. We offer three colors.

Cereus Grandiflora. (The true NIGHT-BLOOMING CEREUS.) The most beautiful flower in the world. Its flowers are a foot across, of a pure satiny white, with outside petals faintly tinged with reddish-brown. It is also deliciously fragrant. No description can do justice to its wonderful beauty, or portray the magnificence of its pure cup, filled with thousands of silky stamens. Truly a flower of the gods, and one which seems not of earth, as its beauty is unfolded only in midnight's darkness. Nothing can compare with the soul-stirring beauty of this flower. Would that all could once see it before they die.

C. McDonaldi. (YELLOW NIGHT-BLOOMING CEREUS.) Like above, but with larger blooms, and a fine straw color tint.

C. Rostratus. (RED NIGHT-BLOOMING CEREUS.) A slender climber, with magnificent flowers in the style of Cereus Grandiflora, but of a rich wine-red outside, and a lighter shade inside. Grand to contrast with the lighter sorts.

C. Triangularis. The largest of all. Enormous white flower of surpassing loveliness, a foot or more across. Plant a strong grower.

C. Columbrinus. An extra fine sort that in time becomes an imposing specimen, of stately columnar growth several feet in height. It bears very large and handsome pure white flowers, in abundance.

Price of above five sorts, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; the 5 for $1.00.

Begonia, Rex.

Enormous triangular leaves of satin-like texture, and metallic lustre, richly belted and zoned with the most striking colors. No finer decorative plant anywhere.

Bertha McGregor. Leaves very large, beautifully lobed. Fine silver white variegated with deep blackish-green.

Robert George. Large disk of silver, bordered with deep green and with green center.

Louise Classon. Leaf dull red underneath, almost black outside, variegated with large pink blotches having a peculiar metallic lustre. Very odd and beautiful.

Crandis. Deep silver-gray, festooned with spotted-green; peculiarly marked and handsome.

Enfant de Nancy. Large beautifully ribbed; deep green disk thickly spotted. Large silvery zone and spotted green edge. Very fine.

Price, 25c. each; the five for $1.00.

Day Blooming Cereus.

These all have flat stems, resembling leaves, and magnificent blossoms very freely borne. Flowers nearly as large and fine as the Night Blooming Cereus.

Phyllocactus Ackermani. Like Jenkensoni, described below, but is scarlet instead of crimson, a rich and glowing color. Extra fine.

Phyllocactus Hookeri. Much like Latifrons, but a more moderate grower. Quite dwarf and compact.

Phyllocactus Jenkensoni. Easy to grow and exceedingly beautiful, blooming in one year from a cutting. Large, silky flowers of the deepest, richest blood-red, as large and deep as a good-sized tea cup, while from the center of the flower hangs a pendulous golden tassel of innumerable white stpmens. These flowers are open day and night for about a week, and are borne by the scores, a good specimen showing a hundred.

Phyllocactus Latifrons. (QUEEN CACTUS.) Often called Night Blooming Cereus. It divides the honors with Cereus Grandiflora as to being the most beautiful of all Cacti. The plant is a strong, large, rapid grower, that will succeed in any warm window, and is covered each spring with bloom. And such bloom! Words fail to describe it. "As big as a dinner plate," says one; "Absolutely flawless," says another. Smooth, satiny-white flowers delicately flushed with pink on the outer petals, the expanded flowers a foot across.

Phyllocactus Speciosa. Much like above, but flowers are not quite as large, and are a soft pink in color.

Price, 20c. each: the five for 85c.

Begonia, Vernon.

No other kinds of flowering Begonias can begin to compare with the varities of B. Vernon for beauty and constant bloom. They are so much superior to others that we have concluded to offer none but these. Plants flower perpetually all the year round, the plant being completely covered with bloom at all times, especially during winter. They make lovely budding plants in summer, the leaves when exposed to the sun turning to a rich bronze color, adding much to the beauty of the flowers.

Crimson. Produces a profusion of dark crimson flowers. Many of our customers regard this as the very finest pot plant for perpetual blooming in existence. It is certainly a plant which must be in every collection.

White. Splendid large blossoms, pure white.

Pink. Lovely blush and pink shades. In other respects exactly like the above, and a plant of perpetual beauty.

Yellow Leaved. This new variety of Begonia Vernon has pure white blossoms slightly shaded or bordered with exquisite silky pink, while the foliage is of a charming yellowish color. The flowers are borne perpetually both winter and summer, and the exquisite beauty added to the superb color of the leaves makes a plant not only beautiful beyond description, but exceptionally odd and striking, and it must be placed at once on the list of the extraordinary choice and desirable pot plants.

Price 20c. each, the 4 sorts for 50c.

Seed. We can supply seed of Begonia Vernon, Mixed Colors at 15c. per pkt. Plants bloom in a few months from seed.

THREE SUPERB BECONIAS.

Three of the very finest flowering sorts for pot culture. They are luxuriant growers and great bloomers.

President Carnot. Upright habit, strong grower, large handsome leaves twice the size of Rubra; upper side deep green spotted silver, under side metallic-red. Flowers fine coral-red in large panicles. A grand new sort which is sure to do well under all circumstances.

Paul Bruant. One of the grandest new flowering sorts. Flowers produced freely on long graceful stems and are a delicate rose changing to white. Leaves of heavy texture, large and handsome. Extra fine winter bloomer.

Rubra. One of the best of all begonias for house culture. They will commence to bloom when but six inches high, and will continue to bloom without ever missing a day, for five or six years at a time. In time the plant makes a grand tall specimen, with large light-green, waxen leaves, and immense panicles of lovely coral-red blooms. Extra fine. *Price 20c. each; the 2 for 50c.*

MEXICAN PRIMROSE.

The Mexican Primrose.

Of all the rare plants we ever introduced, this seems to deserve first place as a plant for EVERYBODY, and one which will thrive in rich or poor, wet or dry soil, or in sun or shade, and bloom profusely the year round in pots, or all the spring, summer and fall in the garden. It is strictly a perpetual bloomer, as it is in flower at all times of the year, a good specimen showing most of the time from ten to thirty large saucer-shaped blossoms, about three inches across. The superb colors, combined with airy grace and beautiful form, goes to make a flower which is perfection itself. The plant seldom grows over ten inches in height, but inclines to a trailing habit, spreading its branches out over the ground, or drooping over the sides of the pot, holding its large, silky flowers erect, so that their unsurpassed beauty is seen to best advantage. As a plant for hanging pot or basket it is unexcelled. Each blossom keeps perfect many days before fading, and when it drops others are out to take its place, and this succession of beauty is continued from one year's end to another. The plant is a free grower, succeeding in any soil or situation, and commencing to bloom almost as soon as the cuttings are potted. As a window plant it combines great hardiness and ease of culture with unsurpassed beauty and delicate loveliness, and profusion of bloom. In the open ground it grows freely and blooms profusely.

Charming. Bright deep pink, veined with scarlet, and with a light center. A superb color.

Snowflake. Pure snow-white, enormous size, often four inches across.

Apple Blossom. White, tinted blush, and bordered with satin pink. An extremely delicate color.

Hermosa Tinted. A lovely shade of light soft rose.

Price, 20c. each; three for 50c.; the four for 60c.

Brilliant Salvias.

For brilliancy the following choice varieties of Salvia Splendens vie with Cannas. They bloom perpetually, and are desirable alike for bedding in the open ground or for growing in pots.

Splendens Compacti. An improvement on the old variety, it being of dwarf, compact growth with plenty of beautiful foliage and long showy spikes of the most brilliant scarlet flowers, borne continually.

Alba. Like the above, except in color, which is white.

Striata. The bloom of this variety is freely striped and mottled white and scarlet.

Purpurea. Flowers in large spikes and of a rich royal purple color. Fine.

Pitcheri. Fine graceful spikes of blue flowers.

Price, fine plants for blooming at once, 15c. each; two for 25c.; the five for 50c.

New Carnations.

During the past few years great strides have been made towards improving the Carnation, the florist's skill in this direction being well shown in the following varieties of recent introduction. Their superiority is shown in many points, but more especially in large size of flowers, vigor of growth, freedom of bloom, exquisite color and fragrance. For pot culture none are so good as the following:

Lizzie Gilbert. Rich, deep scarlet, of great size, and remarkably free grower and bloomer.

Kittie Clover. Fine canary yellow; the finest of all yellow varieties, and very fragrant.

Helen Keller. One of the very largest and most beautifully formed Carnations ever introduced; exceedingly free flowering. A strong, vigorous and healthy grower. Color clear, white ground, delicately and very evenly marked with bright scarlet, giving it a very pleasing effect.

Storm King. Fine, pure snow white, on long stems. Flowers of gigantic size, very double and beautifully formed.

Meteor. Deep brilliant crimson scarlet. 2½ to 3 inches, on a firm, strong stem 14 to 18 inches long. Plant a free, vigorous grower, clean foliage, and good, free bloomer.

Peach Blow. An exquisite color, being a deep blush pink of exceeding loveliness. Large and free bloomer.

NEW DWARF CARNATIONS.

These two sorts do not grow over one foot in height, and are therefore admirably adapted for pot culture in windows. They branch freely, making thick, compact plants, which are continually loaded with most beautiful flowers, and bloom perpetually. Just the sorts for windows.

Winter Cheer. Rich dark crimson; very profuse, often showing 20 to 50 flowers at a time.

Little Gem. A fine and constant bloomer, each flower showing a beautiful blending of pink and white colors.

Price of all Carnations, 15c. each; the 8 for $1.00.

Parrot's Feather.

A lovely mossy plant, with long trailing stems covered with plumy, feathery foliage, of the freshest, loveliest green imaginable. Fine for aquariums, where few plants do well, and make the water much more healthful for the fish. Grows nicely also in water tubs or ornamental pools, and is much admired when grown in hanging pots or baskets of soil. It grows as well in soil as in water if it is kept well watered. It is one of the most charming trailing and drooping plants, and furnishes an abundance of the most lovely foliage for bouquets. It grows so rapidly that it can be cut with the greatest freedom. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

GASTERIA.

Passifloras.

Fine foliage, and graceful climbing habit. Very peculiar corona-like flowers, but very beautiful and unlike any other flower. Easy to grow either in window or open ground.

Pfordti. The best for pot culture as it blooms when but a foot high. Large, handsome fringed flowers, exhibiting a mingling of white, pink, brown and blue in its coloring, making a flower of the most fascinating beauty. 20c. each.

Constance Elliott. One of the most graceful of all vines, worth a place in every home for its exquisite foliage. The shining, leathery, five-fingered leaves airily fringing the slender stems, and festoon-supporting pillar or trellis until after the snows of winter begin to fall. Flowers pure white. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Gasteria Maculata.

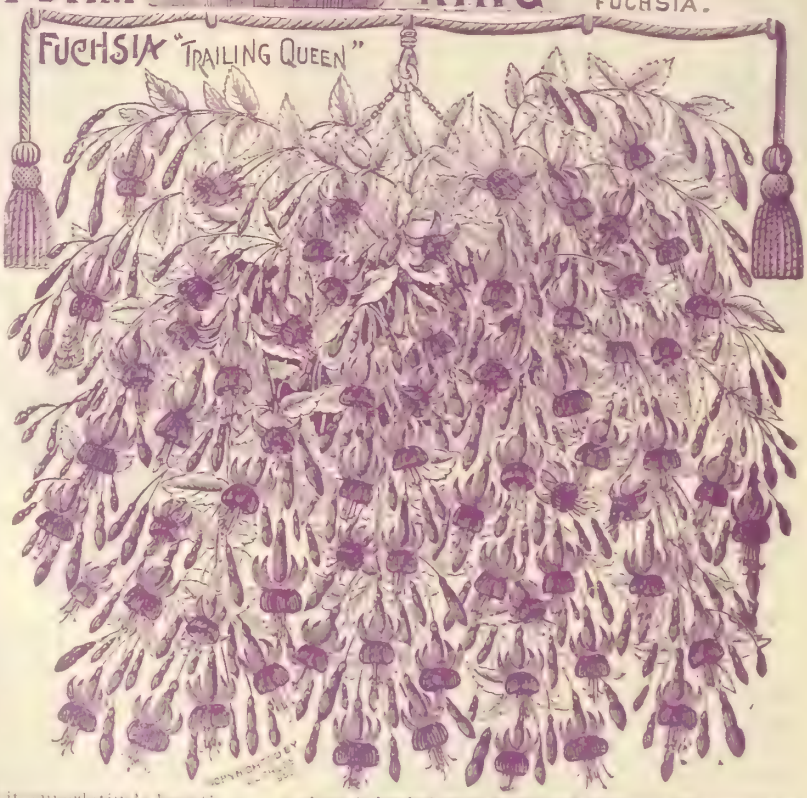
A succulent plant closely allied to the Aloe, and one of much beauty. The thick dark leaves are variegated with white spots. The flowers are borne in racemes a foot long, and are bright scarlet in color. 50 cents each.

STORM KING FLOWERING FUCHSIA.

Rare Fuchsias.

These are very fine varieties, of recent introduction:

Trailing Queen. Good plants for hanging pots or baskets are rare—as rare as they are beautiful. This new Fuchsia never grows erect, but always trails down over side of the pot, and is the most beautiful of all plants for suspension. Luxuriant without being weedy, procumbent without being sprawling, clothed with handsome foliage, and loaded with hundreds of gracefully drooping flowers, nothing more could be asked for as a basket plant. A well grown plant of this Fuchsia is a weeping fountain of waxen scarlet and violet-purple bells, and it remains in this condition for months at a time. Very robust and easy to grow, the branches reaching a length of four and five feet, blooming and growing nearly the whole year. The leaves are dark green, ribbed and rayed with red or crimson, which makes them luminous and handsome. Flowers and buds long and graceful, borne in large clusters at the ends of the vines. When expanded the flowers are very large in size, tube and sepals bright rosy scarlet, while the corolla at opening is a rich violet purple, changing the second day to a fine shade of crimson, the two colors in the same cluster contrasting beautifully. A good specimen will show hundreds of flowers at once, and the effect when suspended in a window, is truly glorious.



Storm King. The double White, Perpetual Blooming Weeping Fuchsia. Its graceful, weeping habit, and its superlatively beautiful flowers, more perfectly borne than those of any other sort, make it the most valuable of Fuchsias. It is always in bloom, often as many as 200 buds and blossoms on a plant at once. The branches attach most gracefully, and the blossoms are frequently as large as tea cups. The buds, for two weeks before they expand, are balls of glowing scarlet-crimson. When expanded the enormous double flowers are almost pure white, capped by a calyx of glowing scarlet; and when a plant is loaded with buds and blossoms it presents a sight which for true grandeur and beauty no flower can surpass. They are of the easiest culture and will grow and bloom freely with ordinary care in any window.

Phenomenal. The largest of all Fuchsias, and also very distinct in its rich dark colorings. Enormous double flowers, sepals scarlet, corolla a bright violet purple.

Little Beauty. A perfect little gem of a Fuchsia, growing but 6 inches high and always full of bloom.

Price, 10c. each; the 3 for 25c.

Geraniums.

The most popular of all pot or bedding plants, combining fine habit, handsome foliage and great quantities of showy flowers. More than this, they are the easiest of all plants to grow, and are never troubled with insects. Fine, also, for cutting and wearing, as they do not wilt readily. The varieties that we offer all have very large trusses of the most perfect flowers and of the most distinct colors. We could have made our list four times as large, but we chose rather to offer a few only, but these extra choice ones.

BEST DOUBLE SORTS.

Chopin. Enormous size, semi-double, great truss, fiery orange scarlet. Fine bedder.

M. Louis Fages. A compact grower with very large truss. Flowers large and in color a clear orange scarlet.

Bruant. Extra large floret, immense trusses. Splendid.

Hoff Beach. Very dark. A deep amaranth shaded purple.

Jupiter. A grand flower of the very largest size, and of a glowing dark vermilion. Extra fine.

S. A. Nutt. A massive truss of large double florets; close compact habit; rich dark crimson black.

La Favorite. The best white bedding Geranium, as it does not turn pink in the sun. A fine pot sort, also. A strong bloomer, and with flowers of snowy whiteness.

Mars. Immense trusses of very large flowers, of fiery scarlet rayed with violet, scarlet and touch of orange-yellow.

Reumberta. Not a yellow, that is yet in the future, but the nearest approach to a yellow to be found in the Geranium. The color is a light yellowish orange scarlet; very distinct.

White Swan. Very floriferous. An extra fine pot Geranium, covered with large trusses of snow-white flowers that are very double and perfect. Habit, short, jointed and bushy.
Price, 15c. each; three for 40c.; the 10 for $1.00.

BEST SINGLE SORTS.

John Lewis Childs. This new and unique Geranium is unlike any other variety in cultivation. Was originated and named by Mr. E. G. Hill, and is a seedling from Spotted Gem. Its color is a pale pearly pink, heavily mottled and spotted with crimson. The background is a good light color and the spots bright and brilliant. It is the only good spotted variety yet known to cultivation. It is a free grower, producing very large single blossoms in large trusses.

Violet Queen. Enormous flower and truss of the most perfect form, and a prodigious bloomer. A most brilliant and dazzling violet-crimson, with white rayed center. A superb sort.

Mrs. A. Blanc. Another sort with enormous blooms, perfect and fascinating. Beautiful orange-pink, marbled white. Exquisite.

Benny Constant. The most magnificent scarlet Geranium known. Flower and trusses of mammoth size, each blossom finely saucer shaped, perfect in form; color, richest scarlet, so bright as to dazzle the eye. Exquisite.

Wonder. The flowers are the most intense dazzling scarlet and are borne in trusses of enormous size, measuring from 18 to 20 inches in circumference, with single florets measuring 7 inches in circumference. As a pot plant or a bedding Geranium, it has no equal.

F. Becker. Foliage heavily zoned; immense trusses of violet crimson blossoms, rayed with glowing orange-scarlet.

Madonna. Very large trusses of lovely pale pink flowers. One of the most pleasing varieties.

Mar. de Layres. A grand pure white sort with enormous flowers and truss. Finest of all single whites.

Venus. An enormous flower of perfect shape and light scarlet in color.

Souvenir de Mirande. Each floret has a large creamy-white center; upper petals white edged with soft rose. Lower petals a soft but bright salmon-rose with lighter shadings.
Price, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; the 10 for $1.50.

The above is a superb list of single varieties. Nothing can compare with them for genuine beauty and brilliancy.

DOUBLE IVY GERANIUM.

A very popular class of Geraniums, of robust trailing habit, thickly clothed with dark green ivy-pointed leaves of smooth, glossy, wax-like texture, worth growing for the beauty of foliage alone. When in bloom they are doubly beautiful, with large trusses of beautiful flowers borne well above the foliage. These flowers are much larger than the ordinary Geranium, and in shape of flower and exquisite markings resemble the superb Lady Washington Geraniums or Pelargoniums. All the Ivy Geraniums are fine low bedders and should be allowed to trail in their own graceful fashion. In such a situation they always bloom profusely and are much admired. Very fine also for baskets or bracket.

Jeanne d'Arc. Pure white; very double and fine.

La Rosaire. Fine rose. Delicate and charming.

Souv. Chas. Turner. Flowers are 2½ inches, in trusses six inches across. The color is a deep bright pink, approaching scarlet in color; the upper petals feathered maroon.
20c. each, the 3 for 50c.

MISCELLANEOUS GERANIUMS.

Tricolor. As beautiful in leaf as most Geraniums are in bloom. The finest of all tri-color Geraniums, much better than the good old Mrs. Pollock. Its large thick leaves are rayed and zoned with scarlet, gold, pink, green, etc., in a superb manner. 30c. each; 3 for 75c.

Golden Leaved. A fine sort, with large scarlet blossoms, and foliage of a bright golden color. Very attractive and the finest of all golden leaved sorts yet known. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

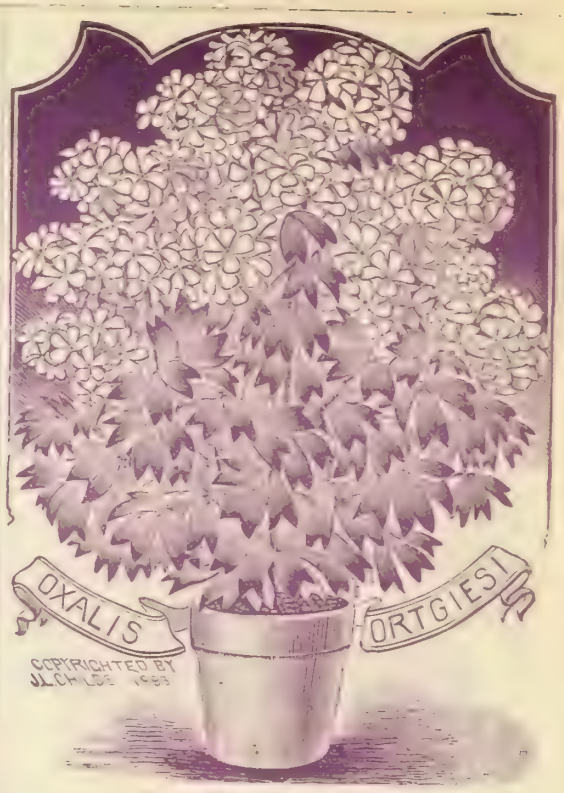
Rose Scented Scarlet Flowered. A grand novelty. See Specialties and Novelties. 30c. each.

Mrs. Parker. A variegated Ivy Leaved sort, with large double pink blossoms. See Specialties and Novelties. 30c. each.

Pelargonium, or Lady Washington. The most beautiful of the Geranium tribe. Magnificent flowers of regal richness, imposing size and striking beauty. Their pencilings and blotchings seem as though touched by an artist's brush, they are so fresh and vivid. Easy to grow. Six best sorts, of different colors, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Pleroma Splendens.

At present this is a rare flower. Not only is it a free grower and bloomer the year round, but it is another addition to the very small list of purple-blue flowers, always an uncommon color, but a striking one, and one that imparts a look of richness to a general collection. Flowers very large, three inches across, opening flat, the velvety petals showing to great advantage, and reminding one of the regal beauty of Clematis Jackmani. Plants commence to bloom when only a few inches high, and continue all the time. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.



Oxalis Ortgiesi.

One of the few pot plants that will bloom every day in the year. A robust bit semi-hanging grower with pretty three-lobed leaves of a dark olive-green above and shining crimson-purple beneath. The flowers are freely borne in clusters on long stems above the foliage. They are star-like and of a clear golden-yellow. A most unique and beautiful pot plant. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Nepeta Glechoma.

This new Nepeta is hardy, fragrant and pretty, its small round leaves finely marked with white. Very fine for hanging basket, standing any abuse and looking beautiful under it. One of the prettiest things in the world with which to carpet graves, as it roots wherever it touches the ground and forms an impenetrable net-work of vines through which no weeds and grasses cannot creep. It will grow in any kind of soil, in sun or shade, hot or cold location, and is ever a mass of green and white refreshing to the eye. Unsurpassed for vases, hanging pots or baskets. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Double Petunia.

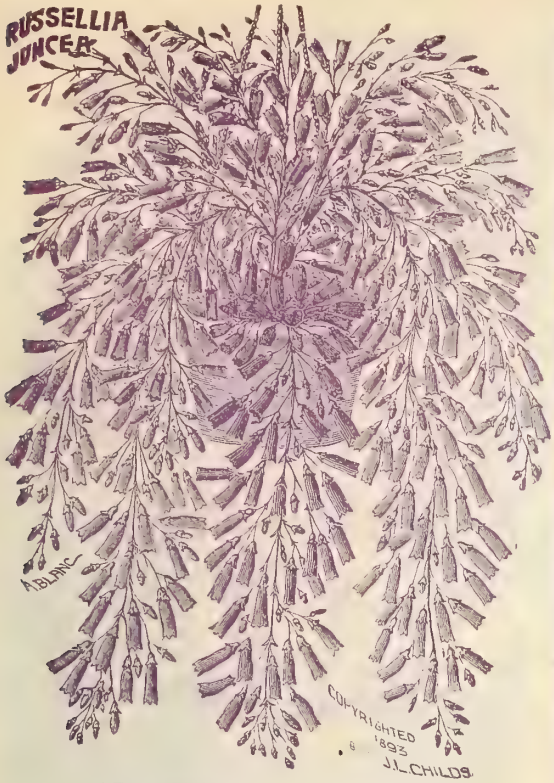
A grand flower for pots, garden vases or for summer bedding. Their splendid large double flowers are fine in any situation and are very freely produced. The two following sorts are the best. 30c. each; the two for 50c.

Lucy Langstreet. Fine crimson, fringed and variegated with white; large and double and splendidly fimbriated.

Snowdrift. Large double fimbriated flower of purest snowy whiteness. Extra good.

Double Mixed, 12 fine colors, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00

Single Giant Flowered, Mixed. Finest types of large flowering sorts, mixed, all colors, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00



Russellia Juncea.

This plant has long, wiry, leafless stems which grow in graceful, drooping masses, flowing like hair. On these bare stems are borne quantities of long, tubular flowers of the most vivid scarlet color, something like a Manettia bloom, but more numerous. It is a novel and beautiful plant, suitable either for beds in summer or for pot culture. In pots it blooms the entire year, especially during the winter and early spring months. The great drooping masses of bloom are like a fountain of coral, scarlet and green. In the South it is perfectly hardy and a superb garden flower. In any climate it is one of the very easiest of all plants to grow, and certainly one of the most brilliant and persistent bloomers. It is a valuable addition to our standard list of best plants. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Chrysanthemum Storm Petrel.

This is a hardy perennial, with finely cut, fern-like foliage, and dwarf trailing growth. It blooms at all times of the year if kept in pots, and out of doors until after hard frosts have killed almost everything else. It is a very profuse bloomer, and the pretty, rosette-like flowers are of a pure white, very large and double. Our plants are strong, and will soon be in bloom. Everyone ought to grow it because of its great hardiness, and its simple, graceful beauty. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Sanseveria Zealanica.

A NEW DECORATIVE PLANT OF GREAT VALUE.

There is scarcely a decorative plant listed that is more striking in foliage and habit than this, and certainly none other that will stand as much downright neglect and hardship as will this. Nothing but frost or a continual drenching with water, has terrors for it. It will grow in a dark hall, a cool bed-room, or stand on the mantel in a heated sitting-room. It will stand gas and dust, and will go for months without a drop of water, yet remain as thrifty as ever. Singularly beautiful as well as easily grown. Erect, rigid, sword-like leaves; in some old specimens reaching a length of from four to six feet. The leaves are thick and fleshy, a dark green color, with clouded bars of white. In May and June it sends up long plumy flower spikes, which in their soft feathery whiteness, remind one of an Agave's flower. The splendid outlines of this plant, together with its distinctive marbling, make it a superb plant for jardinieres, centers of vases, etc. It will also grow splendidly out of doors in summer. Just the plant for sunless windows or halls, where nothing else will grow. It is new and little known to cultivation, but a plant which all will delight to possess. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

VIOLET SWANLEY WHITE.

Sweet Violets.

The flower of sentiment and song, and ever the symbol of modest worth. Its delicious fragrance alone makes it friends everywhere, but this is only one of many merits. In the inclement weather of early spring and late autumn, the Violet greets us with its pretty, sturdy, fragrant blooms, that have no fear of frosts or sleets, but bloom in sweetness to the very verge of winter. If given protection in pit or cold frame or unheated halls or chambers, these Violets may be had in bloom all winter, but they will stand little fire heat.

Swanley White. In pots it grows luxuriantly and is loaded with flowers. In the garden it is hardy with slight protection, and greets us in early spring with a profusion of its large, snowy, sweet-scented blossoms. The growth of the plant is vigorous and healthy, bearing in great numbers very large, perfectly double flowers of pure snowy whiteness and unexcelled fragrance. It is not uncommon for a plant to have as many as fifty large flowers open at once, and they present a beautiful sight.

Lady Hume Campbell. The finest blue Violet. Flowers extra large and sweet, borne in great profusion on long stems. Plant rank and strong grower, producing flowers by the hundred.

Alaska. A grand new sort, well adapted to garden culture, being hardy and robust and producing in spring great masses of enormous double flowers of a deep blue-black color and powerful fragrance. A superb thing, especially for the garden. Probably the very best of all garden sorts, and should be planted by all.

California. A new single Violet of great size, beauty and fragrance. Flower single, borne on long graceful stems and unsurpassed for richness of color and fragrance.

Pedata. This Violet produces flowers by the hundred in early spring, and they are the largest in size of all Violets. Color clear, sky blue, a dainty shade. The leaves are beautifully lanceolated. It is perfectly hardy in any situation.

Price, 15c. each; $1.00 per dozen; the 5 sorts for 60c.

Solanum.

Elegant half climbing plants which are perpetually in bloom. Among the very best pot plants, particularly for winter blooming.

Jasminoides Grandiflora. A beautiful half climber, easily kept in bush shape by a little pinching, or can be allowed to climb or trail at will, as it never grows too large for a window. Mostly grown as a house plant, for which its size and long profusion of star-like flowers well adapt it, but it is even more pleasing grown as a summer vine at the foot of a pillar or window. The panicles of pure white bloom are very pretty and are profusely borne both summer and winter. It is never without flowers.

Rantonetti. The flower is of the very deepest and clearest blue, which is brought out more vividly by a yellow center. It is not a climber, but forms a neat little bush two feet high, which is covered with bloom during the entire summer, and almost until Christmas. Sure to become popular as soon as known, being as easy to grow and bloom as a Geranium, in pots or in the garden.

Azureum, or Blue Solanum. That splendid climbing plant, Solanum Jasminoides Grandiflora, which we introduced a few years ago, has become a universal favorite. In this new variety we have a splendid companion to it. In growth it is robust and vigorous, climbing to a considerable height in a short time. Its flowers are a fine deep azure blue, and borne in large, dense panicles, and are extremely beautiful, and are produced most of the time during the entire year. It is a splendid pot plant as a climber for the window or conservatory, and it is also a splendid plant for the garden during summer.

Price, 20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

Zamia.

We have all heard of the wonderful beauty of the rare Cycus Revoluta, a good specimen of which is worth from $5 to $50. Here we have a close relative, of little cost, quick growing, and almost, if not quite, as decorative a plant for windows, hallways, etc. The Zamia grows freely, and will thrive if need be with no sunlight at all. No Palm is more beautiful than this, with its numerous long fronds of vivid green, and of such majestic beauty that all stop in admiration of it. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Manettia Vine.

A poor vine is little but an eye-sore; but a thrifty Manettia is lovely beyond all question. It can be grown either in the house or garden, and is full of bloom every day in the year. In the house it can be trained all around a window, and it will be a solid wreath of bloom both summer and winter. In the open ground during summer it will grow ten feet, branching freely and covering a large space of trellis, arbor or wall, showing at all times thousands of its bright blossoms. The flowers are 1½ to 2 inches long, and of the most intense fiery scarlet shading off into a bright yellow tip. They are also covered with a scarlet moss or hairy substance, which adds much to their beauty, and each flower keeps perfect for weeks before falling. No plant is easier to grow, and it commences to bloom at once from the smallest cuttings, and continues to bloom most profusely at all times. There is not a day during its life that it is without flowers if it has any sort of decent care. It being quite unknown and of such striking beauty, either for screens, baskets, vases, windows, trellises, stumps, etc., that it attracts the admiration of every eye. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1 00

Miscellaneous Plants.

The following well-known plants will be supplied at 15 cents each; for 25c., 5 for 50c., or more at 10c. each.

Alyssum, Double White. Fine for pots or bedding—always profusely covered with clusters of double white and very fragrant flowers.

Asparagus Tenuissima. A most lovely foliage plant for window culture. Indispensable for cut flowers.

Agapanthus. Well known as Lily of the Palace. Large umbels of lovely blue flowers.

Epiphyllum Truncatum. (Lobster Cactus.) Almost the only winter blooming Cactus, and one of the few kinds suitable to grow in baskets. Branches composed of drooping, joint-like segments, in themselves unlike any other plant, and from November to February covered with a cloud of curious and superbly beautiful flowers of the richest rose crimson. Even the smallest plants are full of bloom. Easy to grow but must not be overwatered.

Lemon Verbena. An old but always popular plant, prized for its fragrant foliage. Sprays of its leaves are always fine to use with flowers in bouquets. Very easily grown, and can be wintered in cellar if need be.

Rhipsalis Mesembryanthemoides. A rare Cactus, with numerous small, slender stems, which are dotted with tufts of white hair. When in bloom it is covered with hundreds of pretty white flowers.

Rhipsalis Pachyptera. Dark flattened leaves and small Cereus shaped flowers, produced by the hundred all along the edges of the leaves or stems. These pretty flowers are pure white and last several days before fading. A fine and rare plant.

Smilax. The dainty, yet luxuriant masses of the glossy Smilax are as handsome in the window as any flower, and as the plant is easy to grow, any one can possess it. A beautiful climber for the arch of a plant stand, wreathing it in a bower of the loveliest green. The finest foliage we have for bouquets, cut flower work, etc., as it is so beautiful and spray-like, and lasts for hours without wilting. Flowers small white and fleecy, and exceedingly profuse and fragrant.

Tradescantia Multicolor. This is a remarkable variety of Tradescantia in that its pretty striped leaves show every tint of silver, bronze-green, pinkish crimson, rose, and grey, in their markings. An extra fine basket plant, as it stands dust, dryness, and extremes of temperature. Indeed, the Wandering Jew will stand more abuse, and look cheerful under it, than any other plant we know of.

POT SHRUBBERY.

Hard-wooded Shrubbery Plants, the showiest class of all, from their imposing size and greater profusion of bloom. They have an advantage over other pot plants, also, in that they can be wintered in the cellar without injury, if window room is scarce, as it often is. All the care they need is a little pinching now and then to keep them bushy and compact, an occasional top-dressing of rich compost or rotted manure and water given in abundance to soak the entire ball of their roots through. So treated each plant will be a solid boquet of bloom, many sorts remaining in bloom the whole year. Grand for conservatory or window, hall or drawing room, or for piazza or yard decoration. We are doing our friends a kindness in urging them to grow plenty of Tub Plants, that will last a life-time and improve in beauty each year.

Brugmansia.

Arborea. Called also Angels' Trumpets and Wedding Bells. One of the grandest hard-wooded plants we know of, and easy to grow. It grows several feet high, and is quite bushy. The foliage is large and tropical, and its blooms—how shall we describe what words cannot picture? Imagine a little bush three feet high with twenty or thirty pendulous blooms open at once; great creamy-white blooms, eleven, twelve or thirteen inches long and eight inches wide, of a texture resembling thick, fluted satin. Imagine these creamy trumpets pouring fragrance forth till the air is heavy with sweetness. Imagine all this, then remember the blossoms last for days in perfection, and that new buds are constantly coming on, and you will see why we value it so highly. It can be wintered unwatered, in a cellar or pit. Grand for Easter or Christmas decoration, or for yard decoration in summer. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Double Flowered. Very beautiful and fragrant. 30c.

Sanguinea. Rare scarlet flowered variety. Extra fine. 75c.

Chinese Hibiscus.

Where can we find a more striking plant than this, with its glossy leaves and huge flaming flowers of satin-like texture? Summer or winter it is always budding and blooming, and if it becomes too large for the window, can be wintered in the cellar. Pots of Hibiscus are extra fine for piazza or balcony display, and for bedding out in summer.

Cigantea. A graceful single flowered variety, with wide opened flowers eight and ten inches across, and of the most vivid crimson scarlet. Indescribably rich and striking as a flaming torch, sure to please those who like a bright flower and plenty of it.

Cooperi. Crimson flowers and superb foliage marbled in three colors, white, rose and green. One of the best of all.

Minneatus. As gorgeous and fine as the best Pæony, and fully as large. Bush blooms when but a foot high. Blossoms a burning crimson, very double, the silky petals beautifully waved and fluted. Extra.

Chrysantha. This is said to be a cross between an Abutilon and a Hibiscus, certainly it seems to show characteristics of both. It blooms as perpetually as the Abutilon, but with large flowers like the Hibiscus, five and six inches in diameter. Flowers flat and saucer-like, of a clear, bright canary yellow, with black eye or center.

Price, 20c. each; the 4 for 60c.

Azalea Indica

Elegant pot plants, much used for Easter decorations. Though attaining a good size, commence to bloom when very small. The flowers are large and very beautiful, always much admired, and range from white to deep crimson in color, with all intermediate shades and markings. Easily grown in any window. Our plants are fine ones, of blooming size. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Bridal Rose.—(*Rubus Floribunda.*)

A remarkable plant with leaves resembling a blackberry in shape; its flowers are produced during winter, and are as double as a Pæony and almost as large. Color pure white, and when a plant one or two feet high shows a score or more of these enormous flowers, which they often do, the sight is most novel and attractive one. New and little known. Will create a sensation anywhere. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Jasmine.

The idol of the poets, who style it "The sweetest flower that blows." Graceful, pretty foliage, waxy flowers, and powerful fragrance. Easily grown, and a gem anywhere.

Grandiflorum. In a warm room bloom all fall, winter and spring steadily. Very beautiful and fragrant. White, star-like flowers. 15c. each.

Grand Duke. Beautiful glossy foliage, and large, double, creamy-white flowers. Very fine. 25c. each.

Gardenia Florida. (Cape Jasmine.) Large, double flowers, pure white, wax-like and fragrant. Extra fine. 20c. each.

Night Scented. One of the sweetest of all perfumes. Graceful star-like blossoms of delicious fragrance. 15c. each.

One plant each of the four sorts for 60c.

Hydrangea

Superb and easily managed tub plants, blooming when very small, and growing larger and finer each year. Their immense close panicles of bloom are wonderfully showy, and they last in perfection for months. Largely grown for Easter and early summer decorations, and are perhaps the most beautiful plants there are for piazzas, or to place either side of a flight of steps.

Ramnius Picta. Grand pinkish-blue flowers in enormous panicle. A splendid sort, and as yet very scarce.

Rosea. Beautiful rose-colored bloom that later turn to blue. A profuse bloomer, bearing very large panicles.

Thos. Hogg. Much like above, but pure white.

Red Branched. This new variety, with heads of bloom as large as a water-pail, is of unusual value, commencing to bear its enormous trusses of deep rose-pink bloom while yet very small, and increasing constantly in size and profusion of bloom. The stems and branches are dark purplish red, which, with the fresh green leaves, set off the clouds of rosy blossoms admirably. This Hydrangea retains its splendor for months at a time, and we know of no more appropriate plant to grow on piazzas or steps.

20c. each; the four for 75c

Olea Fragrans—(*Fragrant Olive.*)

What is it? you may ask. Well, in the first place, it is the sweetest flower that blooms; and, in the second place, it belongs to the Olive family and is a perpetual bloomer, never without flowers, either summer or winter, though the plant may not be a foot in height. The flowers are small, creamy white, and borne in dense clusters. Each individual blossom, though no larger than the head of a shawl-pin, has more sweetness than the largest and most fragrant Lily. Its fragrance is also delicate and enchanting, really the finest of all flowers, and you cannot pass a plant without noticing it. It succeeds well in any window. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Oleander.

What home is complete without its tub of Oleander? A very tractable plant that can be grown in almost any soil or situation. Said growing all the year, or resting in the cellar. Its dark green willow-like foliage is in itself most pleasing, even when it blooms it is beautiful and of expression, with its many large, elegant, salver-like flowers.

Double Pink. Large double blossoms of the rosy pink.
Double White. Magnificent large snow-white blossoms.
Double Crimson. Fine, deep crimson-red. Extra
Yellow. Semi-double, large and very beautiful.

Price, 35c. each; the four for $1.00.

Grevillea Robusta.

A splendid decorative plant, much quicker growing than a Palm, and very effective with its long, drooping, silky foliage, deeply cut like a large-growing Fern, or a golden-leaved Palm. No window complete without it. It is very easy to manage, and can be easily grown from seed if desired. Fine plants 20c.; 3 for 50c. Seed, 15c. per pkt.

Plumbago.

Ought to be in every home in the land. Easy to grow, and if pinched a little occasionally is always in bloom, with lovely clusters of soft, phlox-like flowers. Extremely well-adapted for vase

Larpentae. Hardy. A most beautiful creeping perennial, with
Capensis Blue. [illegible] clear, soft, baby-blue, or palest azure. A superb pot plant.
Capensis Alba. Like the above, but white.

15c. each; the three for 35c.

Genista, Shower of Gold.

As a plant for late winter and early spring blooming, especially for [illegible] it is always welcome. Small flowers golden yellow, very numerous, and borne in large drooping racemes, and in such quantities as to almost hide the leaf and stem, most truly a "Shower of Gold." It is one of the easiest plants to grow we ever saw, and is absolutely sure to bloom profusely in any window. As a plant for rare beauty, delightful fragrance, and ease of culture, it has no superior, and should adorn every home. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

The Fruit Garden is an indispensable part of any rural home. It is a delight, a satisfaction, a convenience, a profit, and a source of the most healthful and delicious food supply any family can have. Beginning with the Strawberry in May, the supply is never exhausted until the last winter Apples have gone. Juneberries, Cherries, Raspberries, Wineberries, Currants, Blackberries, Plums, Peaches, Pears, Grapes, etc., follow successively. They save expense, are luscious and convenient, and any place well stocked with fruits always finds a ready sale at a good price; they enhance its value often many times in excess of its cost.

We have for years made a specialty of Choice Fruit Novelties and have introduced nearly all of the leading ones for ten years past. The varieties here offered are all of recent introduction, and each and every one possesses great merit. The trees here offered are young and thrifty and will make a very rapid growth and bear quickly. When fruit trees or shrubs are received before they can be planted they may be safely kept for any length of time by having the roots packed in boxes of moist soil and stored in a cool cellar or shed. It is important to order fruit trees early that they may be planted out before the foliage starts.

At prices named we send strong, robust, young stock by mail, postpaid, but by express we can send much larger trees, especially Peaches, Apples, Plums, etc. Strawberries, Raspberries, Dewberries, Grapes, etc., are of course as well sent by mail as by express, as far as size is concerned. Our fruit stock is all vigorous and healthy, and whether you have it sent by mail or express it will be sure to please you by its rapid and vigorous growth and early bearing. We have no San Jose Scal —See Certificate elsewhere.

Choice Strawberries.

Of all the fruits known to cultivation the Strawberry is conceded to be the most luscious, and is a universal favorite; yet it is not grown by one-half the people who might grow it just as well as not. It is but a few hours' work to plant a Strawberry bed and care for it through the year, and no work can possibly yield a better return. Strawberries bought in the market are not to be compared with the luscious, ruby beauties, fresh and ripe from the vines. The following are the very best varieties in cultivation—the cream of all—including extra early, medium and late sorts:

Shuckless. It is not often that we have a more important novelty to introduce than this. It is a thorough departure from the general run of Strawberries, differing from all others in one most important respect, and in this point lies its great value, and we are sure our readers will appreciate it when we say that in picking the fruit the berry parts from the calyx something like the Raspberry, thus avoiding the irksome task of hulling them before they can be placed upon the table. The hull remains upon the stem. This one point should, and we believe will, make this the most popular berry for home gardens that has yet been introduced. Aside from this advantage, the berry is of large size, beautiful color, of rich, sweet flavor and a hardy, robust grower, producing one of the largest crops of all berries. Everyone who loves and cultivates Strawberries must, of course, have this variety, if only a few plants to grow a stock from. 60c. per doz.; $2.50 per 100; $17 per 1,000.

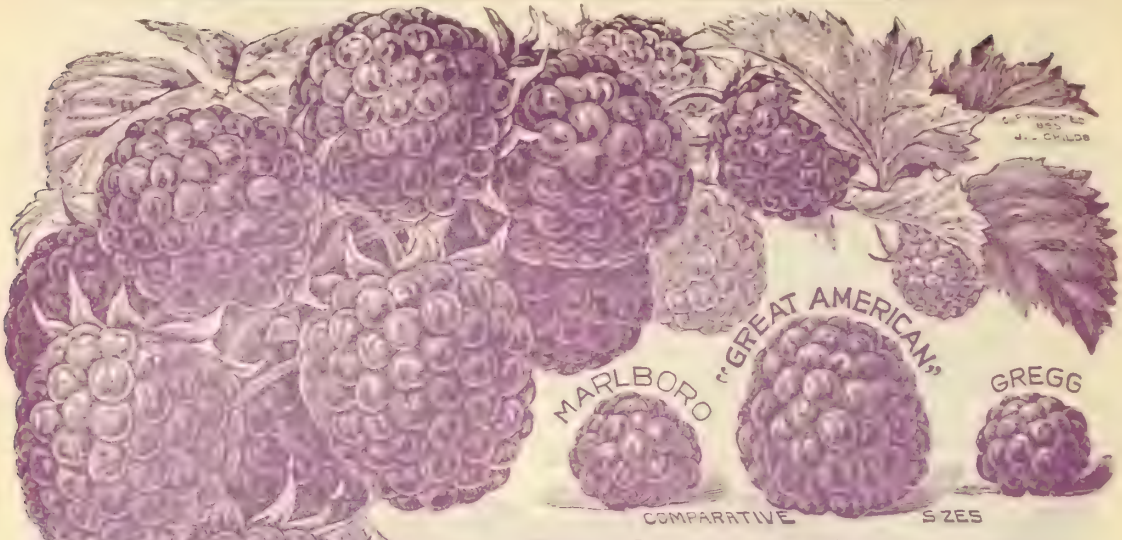
Meeks Early. This is a most important new berry, inasmuch as it is the EARLIEST and BEST of all early varieties. It is a good week ahead of any other in ripening, and it is also of large size, fine quality and very productive. No other early variety can compare with it, and it must find its way to every collection. 50c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1,000.

Mineola. For a general all-round Strawberry we believe this to be the finest variety in cultivation. It originated on Long Island and has been cultivated here for ten or a dozen years by a few growers, and was first introduced into general cultivation by us last year. The fruit is of very large size and exceedingly sweet and luscious in quality, in this respect surpassing any other variety. It is a most vigorous grower, its foliage being of great size and wonderfully healthy and luxuriant. The fruit is borne on tall stems which hold them well up from the sand and dirt below. The berries are perfect in shape, beautiful in color, enormous in size and exceedingly prolific, succeeding well on all soils. Either as a market, home or exhibition berry it is par excellence. Could we grow but one variety this would be our choice. Fine plants, 50c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1,000.

First Season. This is not only the latest variety but it has another important advantage. It will bear a fair crop of fruit the first season it is planted, especially if the plants are set quite early in the spring on good soil. It is one of the very best croppers among Strawberries, fruit being very large and handsome, produced in great quantity and of sweet, fine flavor. Being extremely late in ripening it greatly prolongs the Strawberry season, especially if one has Meeks Early to commence with and Mineola for intermediate. Fine vigorous plants, 50c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1,000.

SPECIAL OFFER.

Six plants each of the above four finest Strawberries for $1.00; 12 plants each for $1.50; 100 plants each for $6.00. This is the finest collection of Strawberries it is possible to have.



Best Standard Raspberries.

Cuthbert. A very large red variety of superb quality. It is always of large size and an enormous yielder, and grows freely in any situation. It will adapt itself to any wild or out-of-the-way place and make a splendid wild berry if one has not the time to give it culture.

Golden Queen. This is a sport from the Cuthbert, and is exactly like that excellent berry in all respects, except that its color, when ripe, is a fine, rich golden yellow. It is of high quality, pulpy and juicy.

Thompson's Early Prolific. The earliest Raspberry yet introduced, and a great cropper. Berries of fair size, bright crimson color, and of extra fine quality. Perfectly hardy and a sure cropper.

Kansas. The King of all Black Cap Berries. Medium early, large size, great productiveness, excellent quality and perfect hardiness, make it superior to any other black variety.

Price, 10c. per dozen; $1.00 per 100.

New Raspberries.

Great American. This giant berry is the "Eureka" of Luther Burbank, we having purchased the stock three years ago and grown it here at Floral Park. It is the largest Raspberry in cultivation, being a real giant by the side of our common garden varieties like Cuthbert, Gregg, Souhegan, etc. The above cut shows the comparative size. Color bright red, firm, very productive, of a luscious, piquant, acid flavor so much admired. Twice as large as Shaffer's Colossal, which is one of the largest berries in cultivation. Bushes compact in growth, free from prickles, robust, and of iron-clad hardiness. This is one of the great berry novelties of our time, and must become the standard in every garden. Strong bushes, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00; 10 for $2.00.

Souche White. A large berry of light amber, almost white, color. A luxuriant grower, free bearer, and hardy. Berries extra large, and of a peculiar rich, sugary flavor. One of the highest flavored of all berries. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Childs' Allsummer. An everbearer, commencing to ripen its large berries in July and continues until killed by autumn frosts. The plants are strong and vigorous, growing three to five feet in height, standing erect without stakes or other support. Foliage very large and rank, dark green above and silvery white underneath. In hardiness nothing can surpass it, as it has never been injured in the severest climate. It is immensely prolific, the berries being of great size, and dark-red in color; quality extra fine. Mrs. Stowe, of Montana, says: "It has fruited for five years and borne a full crop each year, no matter how hot the weather. Our plot is 45 feet in length by 15 feet in width, besides a single row 115 feet long. From this plot and the row we picked last year [illegible] bushels of berries. Is not that a good yield? For five years the yield has been very uniform. In 1889 the yield during July was 244 boxes; August, 175 boxes; September, 27 boxes, an abundance of green fruit being killed by frost September 25th. In many sections where the season is long enough October crops the largest." To succeed in its very best it must have a moist soil or plenty of water. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00; 10 for $2.00.

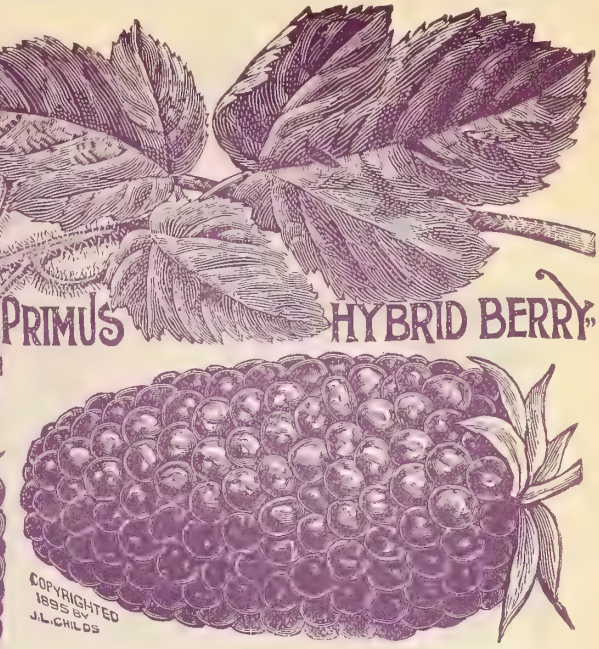
SPECIAL OFFER. *One plant each of above three New Raspberries for 60c.; 3 of each for $1.50; 12 of each for $5.00.*

Two Fine Blackberries.

Price.—3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.; 100 for $2.50.

Erie. It is in every sense a superb Blackberry, being enormously prolific, hardy, the fruit large in size, perfect in shape, sweet and luscious in quality. Is soft and melting to the taste, being rich and sugary to the very core.

Early Harvest. The earliest Blackberry grown, and in every way a grand good sort. Often grows eight feet high and a perfect mass of fruit from top to bottom.



Hybrid Berry, Primus.

A hybrid between a Blackberry and a Raspberry. We have owned the entire stock for three years and it has been tested thoroughly. It is one of Mr. Burbank's greatest productions, and he says of it: "This was my first success with Blackberry-Raspberry Hybrids, and it has been fully tested for several seasons. It is one of the most productive berries known, and is larger and more regular in shape than any other berry. Its flavor is unique; nothing like it has before appeared. All pronounce it superior when cooked, and eaten raw it is claimed to be the best berry ever tasted."

This berry is really enormous in size of fruit and vigor of growth. Its flavor is like that of a Raspberry and Blackberry combined; fruit long and handsome, of a Mulberry-black color. Its season of fruiting is earlier than either the Raspberry or Blackberry, following closely upon the Strawberry, often before Standard Blackberries commence to bloom. Bushes incline to a trailing habit, and are best trained upon wires, like Grapevines. It is somewhat of a perpetual bearer, showing more or less fruit all summer. In a greenhouse it is a great thing, for it will fruit splendidly all winter, and prove exceedingly profitable. It is as hardy as an Oak in any climate, and a sure cropper every year.

This is one of the most remarkable of all new fruits seen during this generation. A berry of sterling worth in every particular. It is twice as large and in every way superior to the New Logan Berry which is being so highly praised.

Price, 60c. each; 2 for $1.00; 6 for $2.50.

Gooseberries.

We offer three remarkable varieties of recent introduction.

Industry. A Gooseberry of strong, vigorous growth, freedom from mildew or other diseases, and large, handsome fruit of delicious quality. The berries are dark cherry in color, and when ripe are rich and sugary.

Keepsake. Very large, light green, and of the richest quality. Considered to be the finest new Gooseberry in many years. Strong grower and an immense cropper, like Industry, but one or two weeks earlier. Blooms late after frosts, and is therefore a sure cropper.

Lancashire Red. In size the berries are the largest known, almost rivaling plums. Color, a rich plum-red, while the quality is exceedingly sweet and delicious. The plant is entirely free from mildew, being an exceedingly strong and healthy grower and a prodigious bearer.

Price, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 12 for $2.00. One each of the three sorts for 60c.; 3 each for $1.50.

Childs' Golden Japanese Mayberry.

This is the most remarkable of all fruit novelties ever introduced, and, like the Wineberry, belongs to the Raspberry family. It grows in sturdy tree form, six to eight feet high, and ripens its fruit before Strawberries, a month before the earliest Raspberries, and before some of them have hardly wakened from their winter's rest. The bushes are distinct from other berries, with spreading, tree-like tops, large, bell-shaped, pendulous blossoms, which hang along the entire length of the branches in pairs or triplets. These large, handsome blossoms are followed by great glossy berries which are of a golden-yellow color, and in quality sweet and luscious beyond description. There is nothing like it in cultivation, and its extreme earliness makes it at once the most important of all small fruits. The bushes are entirely hardy in any location. We purchased this berry when there was only about a dozen plants of it, and it cost a small fortune. The stock is yet limited. We have every reason to believe that the common wild Salmon Berry of Oregon is being sold as the Japanese Mayberry. As the introducer we have the genuine stock, and we hope people will not be deceived by that which is bogus. Childs' Japanese Golden Mayberry is not a wild or native berry of any country, but is a Hybrid raised by Luther Burbank, from Japanese species.

Price. Strong two-year-old plants, from open ground, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00; 12 for $2.00. Green plants, ready April first, 15c. each; 4 for 50c.; 10 for $1.00; 25 for $2.00.

The San Jose Scale.

This Most Destructive of all Fruit Tree Pests Does Not Exist in our Nurseries.

READ THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE:

NEW YORK
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION,
October 5th, 1895.

I hereby certify that I have inspected the Nursery Stock of JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, on two separate occasions, and have been unable to find any trace of the "San Jose" or Pernicious Scale on his Stock.

F. A. SIRRINE.

As the San Jose Scale has been extensively distributed from some Nurseries, we take this occasion to inform our customers that our stock is, and always has been, clear of it.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS.

Childs' Great Japanese Wineberry.

The most wonderful and valuable of Japanese fruits. It belongs to the Raspberry family, is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining the height of 4 to 6 feet, and is perfectly hardy in all positions without protection. It is, in fact, more hardy and vigorous than any raspberry or blackberry. It stands alike the cold of northern winters and the heat of southern summers without the slightest degree of injury. Its leaves are of the darkest green outside and silvery white underneath. The young shoots and branches are covered with reddish brown hair or moss, which makes the plant odd and handsome.

Fruit. The fruit is borne in large clusters, often 75 to 100 berries in a bunch. These berries are, from the time of formation and bloom until they ripen, enclosed in a "burr," which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe, the "burr" opens, exhibiting a large berry of the brightest, light, glossy scarlet, or sherry wine color. The "burrs" and stems are covered with a heavy reddish moss like a moss rose bud, giving the plant a most unique and beautiful appearance. The flavor of the fruit is entirely different from any other berry, being very sprightly, sweet and juicy, having no disagreeable sour, but a delicate and luscious flavor peculiar to itself and superior to other berries. The seeds are very small and no more objectionable or noticeable than the seeds in strawberries, which gives this berry another point of great superiority over raspberries or blackberries.

Free from Worms and Bugs. It is absolutely free from all insect ravages. Worms cannot crawl up the stem and branches, owing to the silky moss or hair with which they are covered. Owing also to this or some other reason the plant is shunned by all the destructive tribes of insect pests. It is a pleasure to eat a dish of these berries, knowing that there are no worms or bugs mixed with them.

For Table. As a table fruit there is nothing finer than the Wineberry. Its delicious, sprightly flavor is most toothsome and refreshing, served with sugar.

For Canning and Preserving. For canning and preserving, the Wineberry is greatly superior to any other fruit. It is the only fruit which will retain its fresh, sprightly flavor after being cooked, and for cooking in any form there is nothing which can compare with it. It also makes the most delicious jelly.

For Syrup and Wine. The Wineberry makes a syrup which, for flavoring, is superior to all other fruit juices. As a flavor for soda water it is delicious and novel. It will make more wine from the same bulk than any other fruit, and good judges have pronounced it the most delicious wine ever tasted. For invalids, and in cases of sickness, it is superior to any other wine or tonic, creating strength and a relish for food, where all else fails. We predict that it will soon become the leading wine producing fruit, especially medicinal wines of high quality.

Time of Ripening and Productiveness. The fruit commences to ripen early in July and continues in bearing for a long time. It is the most prolific berry known, the bushes being literally covered with its large clusters of luscious fruit which are very easily gathered. Owing to their novelty, superb flavor and great beauty, they sell more readily and at far better prices than any other berry. It is propagated from the tips like Cap Raspberries and Dewberries.

Price. First-class, vigorous plants for fruiting first year, by mail postpaid. 15c. each: 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00; 30 for $2.00; 50 for $3.00; 100 for $5.00; 1,000 for $40.00.

We can also supply 2-year-old plants from open ground at 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 7 for $1.00.

Seed. The Wineberry grows freely from seed, and produces strong, vigorous plants, which fruit abundantly the second year. You can get a fine lot of plants very cheaply in this way. Seed will germinate best if it can be allowed to freeze after sowing. Or it may be soaked well in warm water before sowing. Fresh seed, per pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts. for 25c.

Childs' Everbearing Tree Blackberry.

With the exception of our great Japanese Wineberry no fruit novelty has ever had the tremendous sale which this wonderful Tree Blackberry has had during the past five years. It is of distinct habit, growing five or six feet high, and branching freely into a fine symmetrical tree form, always straight and erect, and of such stout growth that it never requires staking. The berries are of very large size, and in quality much the finest of any Blackberry in cultivation; very pulpy, juicy, exceedingly sweet and fine-flavored, even to the very core. The seeds are small, and the fruit seems to melt away in one's mouth like snow. The berries are of uniform size and very handsome, borne in great clusters, and commence to ripen early in July and continue until long into September, making its fruiting period two months or more. The finest Blackberries we ever saw we picked about September first from some of these trees which had been ripening their fruit since July 8th. Its delicate flavor, great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing and perfect hardiness make it one of the most valuable and desirable of all berries for home use. We believe it to be one of the most desirable novelties we ever brought out, and what we say about it is from personal knowledge, as we have grown it for six or seven years. It often fruits considerable the first season, and is sure to fruit abundantly the second season. We have the most flattering reports on it from all parts of the country. This was the only Blackberry which did not winter-kill with us last Winter. Even wild ones were killed to the ground by the unusual severity of the weather. Price, first quality, large and strong, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 5 for $1.00; 12 for $2.00; 30 for $4.00; 100 for $12.00.

Mr. E. S. Black, Monmouth Co., N. J., says: "I am not surprised to hear of the enormous sale your Tree Blackberry is having. When it was growing here on the place of which I am foreman, visitors who saw it have offered me $5.00 each for one or more plants of it. Its straight, stout and symmetrical growth and loads of large and most luscious berries, borne for so long a period, place it at the head of all Blackberries for family use."

Currant.

A favorite old garden fruit, which of late years has been wonderfully improved, and the variety here offered can bear little or no comparison to the old garden sort:

Childs Giant Ruby. This is the finest of all Currants. It originated in Ulster county, N. Y., and was introduced by us last year. It is of remarkably strong growth, the leaves being large but less leathery than Fay's or Cherry. In the size and quality of the fruit this variety is really a marvel. The berries are very large, borne in enormous clusters of twenty to thirty, yet leaving room near the wood to make picking easily done without bruising or crushing the berries. In color they are the most beautiful ruby scarlet, sparkling and glossy, and being so large in size they catch every eye, and sell more readily and for much better prices than any other variety. It is now being largely planted where Fay's and other sorts have been pulled out, for it is a greater and surer bearer than any other Currant grown. In this locality it easily produces three or four times as much fruit as Fay's or Cherry, and the fruit is certainly much finer in every respect. Mr. N. Hallock, a Long Island fruit grower, says: "I have grown the Giant Ruby Currant for four years. Bushes three years set yielded the past season five pounds of fine fruit, where Fay's Prolific, in the same lot, has been an entire failure. Of the seven or eight kinds I grow, Giant Ruby yields double the quantity of fruit of any of them." This Currant is so greatly superior to any other variety that we feel we cannot say enough in its praise. It is splendidly represented by a colored plate in THE MAYFLOWER of January, 1893. No one can realize the mass of fruit which a section or branch of this variety will bear until they see it. Price, fine, thrifty bushes, 25c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; 100 for $10.00.

Crandall Tree Currant.

We were the first to call general attention to this most excellent fruit, and for the last four years it has had with us a tremendous sale, and as far as we have heard has in every instance proved greatly satisfactory. It is a strong and rapid grower, attaining a height of seven to nine feet and branching freely into a fine symmetrical tree form; single shoots often grow four to five feet in one season. It bears every year a tremendous crop of large black fruit nearly the size of a grape, the quality of which is entirely unlike that of any other Black Currant, as it has none of the odor or disagreeable flavor common to black sorts. Its quality is very fine indeed, and is not excelled for cooking in any form, either for pies, jelly, jam or sauce. Its flavor is that of the Sweet Currant, combined with the acid of the Cherry Currant. It is almost sure to commence bearing the first year and certainly will yield a big crop the second year. The fruit begins to ripen the middle of July and continues to the middle of August, the large berries being borne in clusters of four to twelve and cling to the tree a long time after they are ripe before dropping. The currant worm does not infest this sort and it is, in fact, entirely exempt from all insect ravages, either in foliage or fruit. It is of iron-clad hardiness and will stand the most severe climate without a particle of injury in any respect.

The Department of Agriculture at Washington has taken a great interest in this new Currant, and the Agricultural Report of 1889, contains a fine colored plate of it, and among other things the report says: "It is an enormous bearer, the fruit being large, about one-half inch in diameter. In quality, raw, it is superior to any of the European Black Currants, having no strong odor or unpleasant taste. It is well adapted for sauces, pies, jellies, etc. It is never attacked by currant worms or other insects, and is perfectly hardy." This is a strong endorsement and is as true as gospel. The Crandall Tree Currant should certainly have a position in every garden. Price of strong, healthy plants, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00; 12 for $2.00.

Grapes.

Everyone that has a bare fence, wall or out-building or a few feet of vacant ground, can plant a few grape vines and reap an annual harvest of luscious fruit. Owners of country places, or even of city lots, need never be without an abundant supply of Grapes in season. There is no fruit that yields a more prompt or generous return. Everybody can grow it, and everybody should have it in abundance. The following sorts are the very cream of the hundreds of varieties which are before the public; they are mostly varieties of recent introduction and of improved quality.

Brighton. A very early sort and also a very beautiful one, as it is of a bright red color, and most sweet and delicious in quality, hardy and vigorous. 15c. each, $1.50 dozen.

Concord. The old standard variety. It is of fine flavor and iron-clad hardiness, and there is no locality where it will not succeed. 15c. each; $1.25 per dozen.

Golden Pocklington. A very sweet and delicious Grape of a beautiful amber color. Hardy, vigorous and productive. A magnificent sort. 15c.; $1.50 per dozen.

Moore's Early. A seedling from Concord, and as rugged, robust and hardy in every respect. The berry is much larger, but a less number are borne in a bunch. It ripens fully two weeks earlier than Concord, and is one of the most valuable early varieties. 15c. each; $1.50 per dozen.

Moore's Diamond. This is probably the finest of all white Grapes. The vine is hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous and perfectly free from mildew. Berries large and of a beautiful light straw color—almost white—and of a most delicious quality, having few seeds, and a pulp which melts in one's mouth like snow. 20c. each; $2.00 per dozen.

Moyer. An extra early Grape, about the size and color of the old Delaware, but with a larger bunch. It is, perhaps, sweeter and more delicious than any other Grape grown, in this respect being superior to the Delaware. It has beautiful red berries, which are very handsome, and the vine is a hardy, robust grower, vigorous and productive. Originated in Canada. 20c. each; $2.00 per dozen.

Niagara. No Grape has been so largely advertised as this, and none so extensively planted during the first few years and, we may say, none have proved more profitable. It is the leading white Grape of the day. Berries very large, borne in large bunches. Flavor sweet and delicious, there being but very few varieties which can equal it. It is exceedingly productive and as hardy and robust in any locality as the Concord. 15c. each; $1.25 per dozen.

Worden. A splendid large Grape of the Concord type, but earlier and larger in bunch and berry, and usually of much better quality. Vine healthy, hardy and robust. A really magnificent variety. 15c. each; $1.50 per dozen.

Wyoming Red. Color of berry similar to Delaware, but possibly a brighter red, and in size it equals the Concord. Vine healthy and robust, with thick, leathery foliage. Withstands mildew and diseases, and is a sure cropper in every locality. Flesh tender, juicy, sweet, with a strong native aroma. Medium early. 15c. each; $1.50 dozen.

Vergennes. Berries light amber, rich and delicious in quality; large, and hold firmly to the stem. Originated in Vermont, and is a vine of iron-clad hardiness. It is in every way a very choice variety. 15c. each; $1.25 dozen.

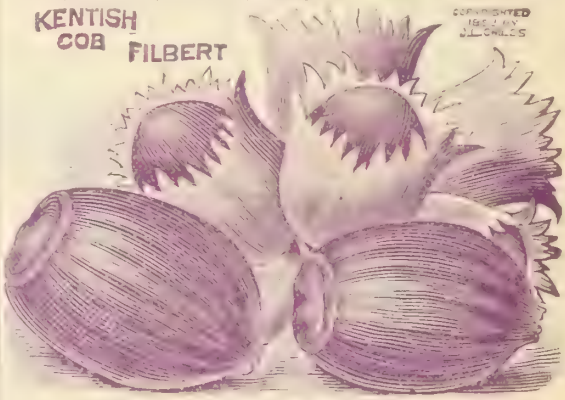
SPECIAL OFFER.—*For only $1.00 we will send one fine vine each of these ten best Grapes.*

The Idaho Pear.

The King of Pears. Fruit grows to an enormous size, often weighing a pound and a half, and entirely coreless and seedless. It is yellowish in color, outside, while the flesh is nearly snow-white and of the very richest quality found among Pears. Its wonderful size, luscious quality, phenomenal bearing qualities, even when trees are very young, and the fact that the fruit is entirely coreless, brought it at once into great prominence. It is hardy and vigorous, flourishing alike in hot and cold climates. Price, 50c. each; 3 for $1.25.

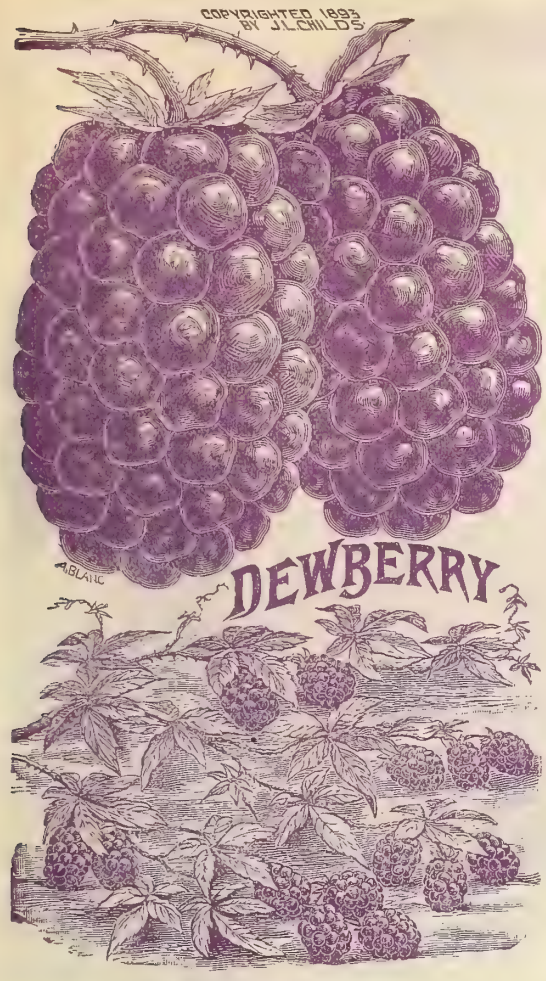
New Dwarf Juneberry.

We were first to call attention to this excellent fruit three years ago, and can claim the largest share of credit for having brought before the public this superb new berry. It is a native of Alaska, and therefore of the most iron-clad hardiness. It is a quick grower, forming dense clumps of bushes which seldom grow higher than a man's head, though they bloom and bear heavily when only one or two feet in height. The berries are the size of ordinary cherries [illegible] scarlet, and, when fully ripe, to a dark purple blue; and as the three colors hang in clusters upon a bush they present a most charming and appetizing sight. After the berry is fully ripe it will keep on the bush in perfect condition for two or three weeks without decaying or dropping. It is exceedingly sweet and has a peculiarly rich and luscious flavor. We do not hesitate to pronounce it the most charming fruit to eat raw from the hand we have ever tasted. Aside from its value as a fruit it is one of the most showy flowering shrubs, as it blooms very early in the spring—before leaves start—and every stem and branch of the bush is a solid wreath of delicate feathery whiteness, so numerous are the flowers. No garden is complete without this magnificent fruit. Price, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.



Filbert, Kentish Cob.

This is a most desirable nut and the largest and finest of Filberts. The bushes are of somewhat low growth and occupy little room and may be planted in any out-of-the-way place. They produce annually large crops of the choicest nuts. This is one of the choicest, scarcest and highest priced nuts you can find in the market. Plant a few by all means. They will be sure to do well. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.



Dewberries.

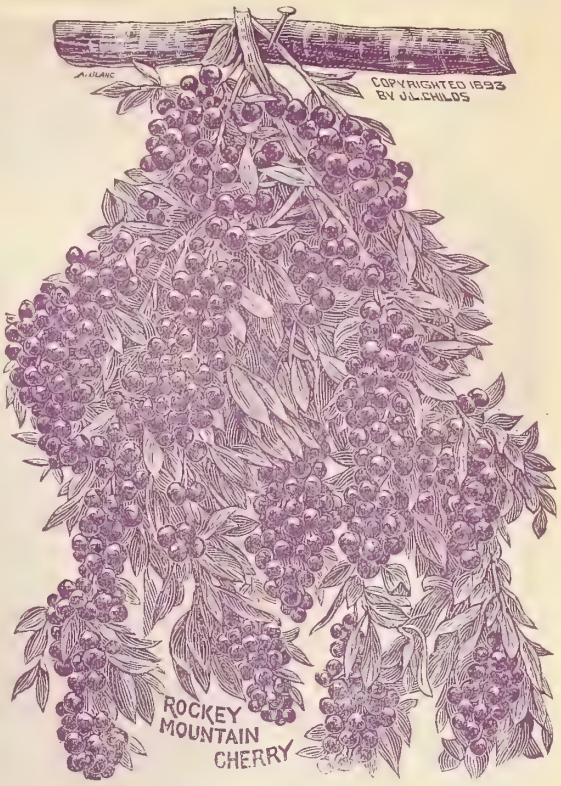
Since we first introduced this valuable fruit, several years ago, it has become very popular, and is now largely grown in all sections of the country. It is, as is generally known, a climbing Blackberry, the vine growing very long and may be allowed to trail over the ground or may be trained up to trellises, like Grapes. It is hardy and robust and a sure annual bearer, the berries being larger, sweeter, and superior in every respect to Blackberries. The fruit is borne in great quantities, and is of a soft, pulpy nature, sugary and delicate, and seems to melt in one's mouth like ice cream. The berries are very large, often more than two inches in length, a glossy, sparkling black color. It is perfectly hardy, and does not succor from the roots, but is increased from the tips like Black Cap Raspberries. When in bloom in the spring it is very ornamental, indeed, the flowers appearing in large quantity and are of great size and snowy whiteness. Many wild and worthless plants of the Dewberry have been sold, and no doubt many people have been disappointed in them, but those who plant the genuine Lucretia will be delighted with it and prize it as one of the very choicest fruits.

Lucretia. (TRUE.) We find this to be superior in every particular to any other variety which has been offered. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

Crystal White. A new sort, the berries of which are crystal white in color, though not so large as Lucretia, but exceedingly juicy, rich and sweet, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.

Muskberry.

A new berry belonging to the Raspberry family; a rank grower, reaching 5 to 8 feet in height, and branching. Foliage large and luxuriant, berries dark ruby red, and of a peculiar cone-like appearance. Exceedingly sweet, but possessing a sort of musky flavor, which is greatly liked by some but not by others. As a fancy berry it is unique and should have a place in all good collections of fruit. As hardy as an Oak and will thrive in any waste or out of the way place. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50.



The Dwarf Rocky Mountain Cherry.

This wonderful fruit was discovernd in 1878, in the mountains of Larimer County, Colorado. It is one of the most productive fruits that grow. It is not uncommon to pick 15 to 20 quarts of fruit from a three year old bush, and 80 cherries have been counted on a branch 12 inches in length from a two-year old bush. The fruit when ripe is a jet black and of a size somewhat larger than the English Morello. In flavor it is much like the sweet cherries; when ripe is conceded superior to any other variety. It is ornamental as well as useful both in flower and fruit. It bears every year, grows to a height of four feet and has never been affected by insects or disease. On account of its small growth it can be grown in a little space where there would not be room to plant a larger growing cherry or other tree, and is a superb thing to plant on the lawn or among shrubbery. It is one of the most startling novelties of last year. As it blooms and bears fruit when only a foot high it may be grown in a pot, if desired, like the Otaheite Orange. Price, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

The Childs Quince.

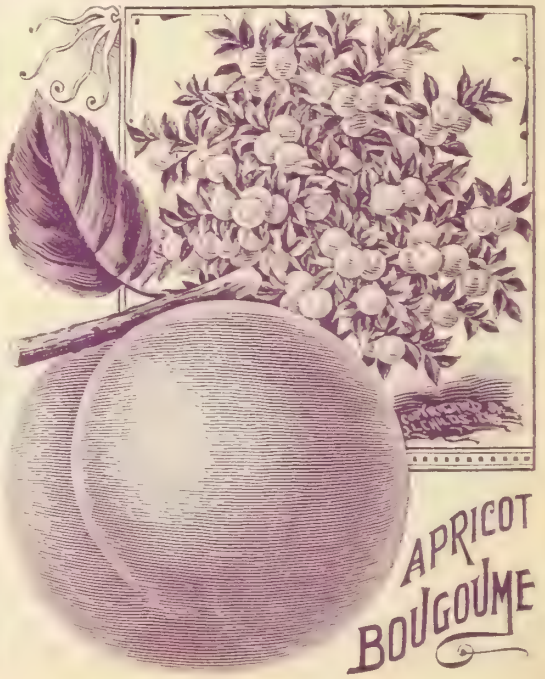
This is a most remarkable new fruit, and will be hailed with delight, as it is such an improvement over all varieties of Quince thus far introduced. The fruit grows to an enormous size, larger than the largest Apples. In shape it is nearly round, resembling an Apple very much, with smooth skin. It is of very mild, pleasant flavor, so much so that when ripe it is delicious to eat raw from the hand as one would eat a good Apple. For cooking it is superb. Its flesh is so tender that it will bake or stew as readily as an Apple, and in less time. The tree is a large, rank, luxuriant grower with heavy foliage and bears enormously, beginning when they stand in the nursery rows and only a few feet in height. It is, indeed, a pretty sight to see these little trees, each bearing a number of Quinces of such tremendous size.

Mr. Burbank, the originator, writes: "Two-year-old trees of the Childs Quince are now bending almost to the ground with their fruit which hang almost from the soil up the stems to the very tops. Some of these trees are only three and one-half feet high. I doubt if you realize what a grand fruit it is. It is the earliest Quince to ripen, earliest to bear, productive to my astonishment every season, smooth, handsome, lemon-yellow fruit, very large, and cooks in five minutes."

This Quince has already become more or less famous through newspaper articles which have been written in praise of its merits. Price, 75c. each; 3 for $2.00.

Apricot, Bougoume.

A new sort from Japan, and the finest yet introduced. It is so very dwarf that it requires no more room than a good shrub, yet growing luxuriantly with large, healthy foliage in great abundance, and marvelous crops of delicious fruit. It can even be grown in a large pot or tub, like a Hydrangea or Oleander, and will fruit abundantly. It is perfectly hardy and bears when only two to three feet high. Fruit ripens in early summer, before Peaches or any other good fruit, in fact the earliest of the Apricots. Fruit large and a beautiful golden color, rich, sweet and juicy, of fine flavor, and good, solid flesh. A most valuable new fruit. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00. Extra large trees, by express, 60c. each; 3 for $1.50.



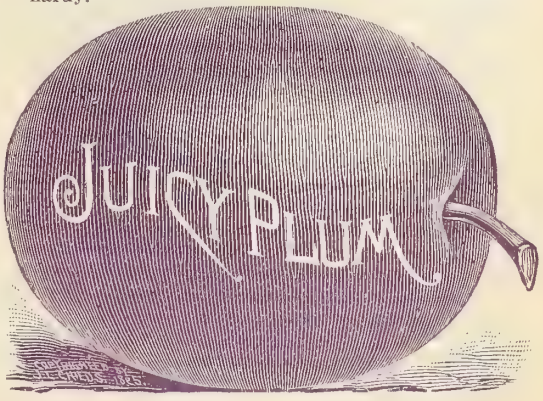
Three Grandest Plums.

Since the introduction of our Wineberry and Mayberry, nothing has been offered in the way of new fruits which can compare in value and importance to these new Plums—Burbank's greatest production. They are crosses with Japan varieties, and possess the most distinct characteristics; are the most beautiful, most luscious, best bearers and keepers, hardiest and best adapted to all soils and climates. They were introduced by us last year.

Delaware or Dwarf-Weeping Plum. A superb and highly ornamental tree of short, symmetrical growth and long branches which droop to the ground. Owing to its dwarf habit it can be grown in space that would not admit of a larger kind. The best Plum in existence, with a most exquisite flavor like that of the Delaware Grape. It is described by some as possessing the flavor of the Apricot, Grape, Plum and Watermelon combined. Fruit of good size, purple flesh and skin, with white bloom. It is exceedingly productive, and ripens very early. Tree hardy and healthy, bearing when but two feet high. A perfect gem of a fruit and ornamental tree combined, and should be on every lawn and in every garden. It is destined to be the most popular Plum of the future, as it is certainly the most beautiful and luscious.

Shipper. Tree a large, rank grower, and enormously prolific. Fruit of large size, rich, juicy and sweet. Form and color of Imperial Gage, but handsomer, and the best Plum for shipping yet introduced. Hardy, robust and heavy annual cropper. The most profitable of all market Plums, as it is of the best quality, largest size, most prolific and best shipper.

Juicy. This glorious new Plum is a cross between Botan and Robinson. The fruit is the size of the former and three times larger than the latter, and of perfect shape. Skin thin and transparent, light yellow, underlaid with scarlet—as beautiful as wax. In quality it seems to us that there is no other fruit which can approach it. It has a delicious sweetness, mingled with a sprightly acid, and a high melting plum flavor, surpassing anything we ever saw. When fully ripe it is so juicy that when the skin is broken its delicious pulp flows out like honey. The tree is a hardy, rank, luxuriant grower, though of dwarfish habit. It blooms so late in spring that frost never injures the crop. In this respect it is valuable beyond estimate. It begins to bear when very small—trees scarcely three feet high often producing large crops. When of fair size it is an enormous yielder, and the fruit ripens early. The fruit keeps a long time after ripening, often fifteen to twenty days in hot weather, before decaying. We have received them from Northern California in the finest possible condition, notwithstanding the week's journey in close packing. Trees perfectly hardy.



Price of these Three Finest Plums, 40c. each; the 3 for $1.00. Large trees, by express, 60c. each; 3 for $1.50. Plant them by all means.

Peaches.

There is no tree which makes a more rapid growth and comes into bearing sooner after planting than the Peach. Trees small enough to go by mail will bear in three years, and their cost is so little that every home in our land should be abundantly supplied with this most valuable and delicious fruit. These new varieties are particularly fine, and superior in many respects. They are all extremely hardy, some of them being able to stand the climate of Canada.

Excelsior. A wonderfully good new Peach, which originated near Lowell, Mass. The tree is a dwarf of low-spreading, willow-like habit of growth, and the fruit buds are so hardy that it produces a full annual crop when all others fail. Fruit medium to large, rich orange-yellow, splashed with carmine on the sunny side, flesh yellow, juicy, very sweet, tender and rich. Pit small and a perfect freestone. The low growth and great beauty of this tree make it a desirable ornament for the lawn or garden. When loaded with its large, luscious fruit, it is one of the most strikingly beautiful small trees it is possible to have.

Dwarf Japanese. This is the earliest of all Peaches, ripening two or three weeks ahead of Alexander, and maturing in about eight weeks from time of blooming. It is a dwarf growing, very stocky variety from Japan, bearing when three or four feet high; a little tree, one year planted, matured twenty-four fine specimens. The blooming season is later than other varieties, making it almost free from the danger of damage by late spring frosts. Fruit large, beautiful crimson and yellow, heavily overlaid with red, really having the appearance of blood red. The flesh is rich, juicy and most excellent quality, and much the same color as outside. It is the most fragrant of all Peaches, a single specimen being so sweet as to fill a whole room with the delightful fragrance. The trees are very productive, bear extremely young and can be planted very closely together. It requires so little room that it may be grown on the lawn or in any nook or corner which would not accommodate a larger variety. It is a perfect gem of a fruit, and like the Bougoume Apricot, Bismarck Apple and Rocky Mountain Cherry, can be grown even in a large pot or tub.

Champion. Fruit very large often 10 inches in circumference. Flavor most delicious, juicy, sweet and rich, surpassing most other varieties. Color, a beautiful creamy-white, with a bright red cheek, most strikingly handsome in appearance. Its season of ripening is very early.

The Lemon Peach. A most unique variety, and a tree in bearing looks as though it was full of lemons instead of peaches. Extra fine and entirely distinct fruit, being oblong or lemon-shaped, pointed at the apex. Color, pale lemon when ripe. It is of large size, fine specimens measuring over 13 inches in circumference; medium early, and is of the finest quality and immensely productive.

The Orange Peach. This glorious Peach is a higly valuable and distinct variety, its enormous fruits closely resembling large, luscious oranges, and a tree in bearing reminds one of the orange groves of Florida.

Price, 25c. each; $1.50 per dozen; the 5 for $1.00.

New Apples.

It was our good fortune a few years ago to come into control of three new apples of superior quality. They are so valuable that they will become leading favorites, and we advise our customers to plant a few if only to get grafts.

Two-Faced. We never brought out a more unique novelty than this. It originated in Cayuga County, N. Y., and the original tree has been known for many years, but this is the first time it has ever been propagated and put upon the market. The tree bears an apple which is in size and shape similar to the Tallman Sweet; its peculiarity being that every fruit is equally divided, (one-half is sour, like a Greening, and the other half is sweet, like the Tallman. This is one of the most peculiar freaks which has ever been observed in vegetation. Its oddity, as well as its fine bearing qualities, and the excellent quality of the fruit, both the sweet and sour portion, will make it immensely popular.

Ruby Gem. As its name implies this is an Apple of the most brilliant ruby-red color imaginable, and being of large size and perfect in form it is the handsomest variety we have ever seen. Every one is as fair and perfect as though moulded of wax, and the season of ripening is early autumn. The tree is a heavy bearer, commencing when very small to yield an abundant crop; flesh very tender and melting, juicy and of delicious, pleasant, sub-acid quality. Tree a strong grower and heavy annual bearer; a most luscious and valuable apple for home use and the most profitable one for market.

Glowing Coal. The fruit is enormous in size and as fair as wax; one-half bright shining red while the other half is intense scarlet, and as they hang on the trees the large, beautiful fruit can be seen for a long distance, glowing almost like a coal among the dense green foliage. It is of extra fine quality, mild sub-acid, and ripens early in September. Tree rank, vigorous grower, and a great and early bearer. This will become the finest of all Apples for market. Its great beauty and size, as well as its unexcelled quality will place it at the head of all.

Bismarck. This new Dwarf Apple is indeed a wonder. Little trees a foot or two in height will bear a few apples of enormous size, either growing in pots or in the ground. A little tree 12 inches high, which we imported from France last winter, bore a fine large apple the following summer. Fruit very large, of brilliant color and borne freely on trees two years old. A most unique pot plant to grow with the Otaheite Orange, and a fine little shrub for the garden, the great apples on such very small trees attracting great attention.

Lorain Sweet. An Apple of great size and superb quality. It ripens in early fall and is the most delicious Sweet Apple grown, flesh being exceedingly tender and melting, and of the most luscious flavor, reminding one of the sweetness of honey. Should be in every orchard.

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Eleagnus Longipes.

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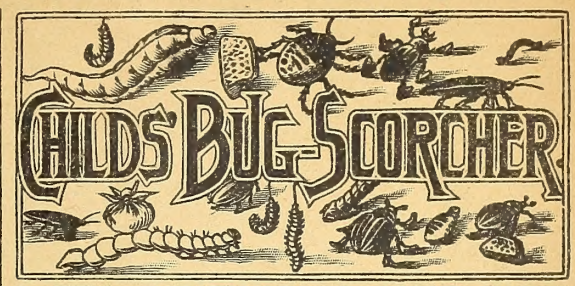

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